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## Cremona struck by tragedy of little boy

By Ceilidh McClurg

The community of Cremona is in shock this week after hearing that there was murder/suicide in the small community.

May 25, last Tuesday, started out as a normal day at Cremona School. A young boy and his father had an appointment to meet with a Social Services worker that morning at the school.

However, the pair didn't show up for that meeting, and social workers were deeply concerned.

The workers headed out to the family farm two miles east of Cremona. But, there was no one home and they prepared to leave. Then, one of the workers heard the sound of a running car engine in the distance.

Curious, and worried, they headed to the vehicle and were disturbed to find the bodies of Fern Castonguay, 43 and his son Jack, 12 in the front seat. The family dogs were in the back seat and were also dead.

Social Services immediately contacted the police.

Didsbury RCMP, Sgt. Ron Platz says they were called to the scene at about 9:45 a.m. that morning. When they arrived, they discovered the cause of death.

"The car had been sealed up," says Platz. The exhaust emission holes had been piped directly into the car causing both the males and the dogs to die of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Police say they suspect the incident occurred in the early morning hours before the scheduled appointment which was to deal with family related issues with Fern and Jack, a single father and his son.

Platz says they have no way of knowing how the young boy was convinced to get into the deadly car, but he may have been knowingly coerced into the passenger seat, or may have not known what was about to happen. All the police say they know for sure is that Jack was not forced into the vehicle.

"We will never know that answer," says Platz.

Police found a suicide note, written by the father, at the scene of the incident.

"It expressed that life was a problem for him and that he was fed up," says Platz. He also says that there had been other incidents involving the family in the past both with the RCMP and Social Services.

The community of Cremona mourns the death of the Castonguays including Cremona School where the young boy attended Grade 5.

"The school has taken it very hard out there," says Platz. He points to a letter that was sent home to Cremona School parents by the principal, Dave Couves.

The letter opens, "We have suffered a tragedy in our school."

It goes on to explain that what happened to Jack and his father then says, "In addition to our grief over the loss of this member of our school community, we are sensitive to the fact that such an event has an impact on other students."

"The school has implemented a plan, which allows students an opportunity to talk about their thoughts and feelings with trained professional staff," says Couves in the letter to parents.

Sgt. Platz says that it is his understanding that the bodies of both Castonguays will be flown to the Ontario area, where most of the family resides.

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### SENTIMENTAL SONG

Graduates Kory Simon, Pat Morgan and Alex Coronada play a sentimental piece of music on stage during the grad ceremonies on Saturday night.



## Grads of 1999 make history

By Ceilidh McClurg

Didsbury saw the last class of this millennium walk across the stage and accept the challenges of the new world that faces them.

The graduating class of 1999 from Didsbury High School took the biggest step of their young lives as they accepted their diplomas on Saturday night.

The theme of the ceremonies was "The Class of 99: The Last of its Kind," and the futuristic decorations in the arena complemented the theme.

After the catered dinner, students were greeted by the staff, the parents, and their fellow students in a series of toasts to the auspicious occasion.

Mrs. Becker, who gave the toast to the grads from the teachers said, "We will remember you; We will never forget you." She said that each and every student had left their mark on the his-

tory of DHS, and the class itself was making their own history by simply being the last class before the turn of the millennium.

Becker said that although this was the end of their schooling career, "It will never be the end of your learning." She encouraged the students to carry on in their lives with many attributes that they have already shown including respect, honesty, joy, love and passion. She thanked the grad class for the memories they have shared with their teachers.

"You've shared moments of glory and grief, and you have given us teachers glory and grief," Becker laughed.

Teachers noted as the students, dressed in gowns and tuxedos, passed through the doors of the complex, that they barely recognized some of the kids who sit in their classes each and every day.

Aimee Hunter and Brian

Pieper, Grade 11 students who toasted the graduates said, "These students have been our friends, our team-mates and our leaders." The toast from the students wound up by calling the grads "Those who will now challenge the new era."

Bill Chalmers, of the superintendency gave them short and simple advice to deal with the coming of age of both themselves and this era. First, he said, "Call your parents; they will miss you." Second, he told the grads to hug their friends tonight the make a promise to never lose those friendships.

As parents beamed with the pride of the occasion, Stephanie McNeil toasted all of those proud parents. She said that it was them who made each graduate who they are today and thanked the parents for their leadership and love.

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# County dog bylaw debated once again

**Councillor Diane Davies says she sees a definite need for legislation**

By Ceilidh McClurg

A dead piece of legislation that sat on the county council floor last month after being defeated, has been resurrected by a councillor who said that she could not let it die.

Due to a number of complaints, the county council had requested that the administration look into the possibility of creating a new dog bylaw to replace an outdated version created in the 1950s.

At a following council meeting, a proposed bylaw was presented to council. However, ensuing debate caused the draft to fall even before being officially released to the public for input.

Councillors said at the time that they felt the draft was too cumbersome with ten pages of definition and subsections dealing with aspects such as noise and vicious dogs.

Coun. Diane Davies, who presented her notice of intent last week said, "I believe our administration have put a lot of work into one (bylaw) we had. Maybe it is several pages, but maybe it needs to be several pages to address all of the concerns and to make it clear to the public."

Assistant county commissioner, Tony Martens, backed up comments from Davies. He said that in speaking to legal counsel for the county, it was indicated that a new bylaw needed to clarify all parameters of dog control, and therefore needed to be long enough to allow for that. A general bylaw, kept only to one page as some

councillors had suggested last time the issue was brought forward, would not include enough provisions to make it an effective piece of legislation.

Martens added that his office had received numerous phone calls and complaints since the bylaw was defeated a couple of months ago. He stated that most of those calls were addressing the need for a bylaw that make sure that county residents are responsible dog owners.

He said, "Administration believes there is a need. We need to recognize that the face of the county is changing, we are much more densely populated." Martens said it is for that very reason that the time has come to update a bylaw which simply stated that if a dog was loose, you could shoot it. Subdivisions with acreages, which are becoming increasingly common in the county, are in need of a dog bylaw stated Martens.

Coun. Gerald Ingerveld, who initially voted against the first ten page document said, "When I voted against it... I was not voting against the idea of a bylaw, I was voting against a ten page bylaw." He insisted that he still believed a smaller document would achieve the goal if it simply had regulations regarding dog running at large.

"That is the problem we face," said Ingerveld. He said noise and other issues need not be a part of the bylaw as it may confuse the issue. Coun. Dave Derksen said he had very rarely heard of a dog complaint in his division and wondered where

the dog problem was.

Davies disagreed. She noted a number of incidents that she had heard of from county residents including a local farmer who lost seven sheep out of her herd to a dog running at large. She said that another incident occurred when a dog chased children to a bus stop. Davies also said that she believed issues such as noise also had to be addressed in a dog bylaw because in subdivisions it is a problem.

Coun. Ian Harvie said that he too opposed a lengthy document. "The broader the area, the more enforcement becomes difficult." He again suggested that the bylaw from the 1950s simply be revised and kept to a one page document. Harvie also suggested that it would be a great deal of time in manpower and administration to have the county bylaw officer dealing with all of the dogs in the county.

County commissioner, Harold Johnsrude said that the intent of the bylaw would not be to have someone out looking for problem dogs, but rather that the bylaw would be enforced on a complaint

basis.

"When there are complaints given with dog problems, we would have legislation to back up the actions taken," Johnsrude.

Martens, who worked to create the ten page bylaw that appeared before council last time, said that he would attempt to create a smaller document, but warned, "We can only reduce it so far before it becomes unclear."

Davies moved to direct administration to create a new dog bylaw draft and bring it back to council when it is ready. The motion was unanimously carried.

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# DHS grads to make learning a life long pursuit



Joy Dornbusch, valedictorian, addresses her fellow classmates.

song "I will remember you" by grads Karen Brown and Kory Simon broke many grads composure and the tears began to flow.

As the ceremonies moved into the main arena, where a crowd of family and friends had filled the stands, the excitement of the event built.

Simon, who gave introductory remarks said, "The grad class is very excited." He said that excitement was a mixture of fearful respect of what challenges faced them, and the joy of completing 12 years of education with friends.

Valedictorian, Joy Dornbusch told her fellow graduates that what really faces them is a decision, to be positive and eagerly take on the challenges of their

future, or to let everything pass them by.

"In general you have two choices in life, to have a bad outlook or to have a good outlook," said Dornbusch. She said the choice they make would shape their future. "Just don't sit there and let time fly, get up and go for it."

In theme with the space theme of the grad Dornbusch wrapped up her speech by saying, "Live long and prosper and may the force be with you all."

Grant Vipond, who was the guest speaker for the evening addressed the grads with a similar message. To take all of the positive in life and pull it together to achieve their dreams.

"This is an extremely exciting time and you are in the drivers seat," said Vipond. He also encouraged them to make learning a life long pursuit. "It is part of your freedom," he told the class.

Vipond said that one of the things that impressed him the most about the class of 1999, was to see the variety of choices and futures that lay ahead of the DHS students.

Before the presentation of the certificates, Principal Mark Leggette spoke to the grads. He recapped their years of education and lessons learned and then

encouraged them, "You are part of the community that shapes our present and our future." He said to take all of the "what ifs" in life and make them their own reality.

Each graduate was presented with their certificate as a ten second piece of music played in the background that they chose to identify their own style. A baby picture projected of each grad onto the background signified the growth that has occurred as they reached this milestone.

A brief breather was taken from the excitement of the evening, as the graduates and parents prepared for the parent march. Each graduate was introduced

with their parents as they crossed the arena floor arm in arm.

The Grand March, was a compilation of all of the music of the decade as the grad performed a small dance for each. From the Charleston to hits from the 70s, each segment caught the audi-



Joelle May navigates the stairs with a little help from an extra terrestrial friend.

ence with nostalgia.

The Graduating Class of 1999, The Last of its Kind. And, the first to take on the challenges of a new millennium.

## Seniors lodge future depends on response

By Ceilidh McClurg

A Senior's Lodge would cost more than \$3.5 million. A large investment. So, the Mountain View Management Board wants to make sure it will be money well spent.

The board says community input into the perceived need is paramount in making any decision regarding the future of a lodge in Didsbury. Therefore, they are asking all residents to fill out a survey (found on page 5) to determine the timeline and viability of such a major project.

"We're doing this to truly find if there is a need," says Bob King, chief administrative officer for the management board. In addition, the information gathered will help the board to assess the financial feasibility of a lodge once it is opened.

"Once it's built, you've got to fill it to be able to operate," he says. This is why the questionnaire being circulated surveys who would be ready to move into a lodge in the next three to five years.

If the need is identified, the board says it is willing to go ahead and pursue whatever avenue necessary to make the lodge a reality.

Kings say that the input of all residents, not just the seniors, is valued.

"We're looking at the whole community," says King.

The board is doing this research to follow up on a commitment made to the town earlier this year to pursue a lodge in Didsbury. King explains that during a number of town related open houses, the board has been present, and has found that people in the community believe that a lodge is necessary in Didsbury.

Not only is the management board looking to find community input on the need for such a facility, they are also looking for suggestions where the \$3.5

million could be raised.

Already, the board has been setting some money aside from the requisitions they collect which are included in municipal taxes. However, says King, it is hardly enough when it is expected over the next five years the board would only be able to put enough in reserves to put 25% towards a mortgage without raising the requisition.

"The idea of a \$2 million mortgage is bothersome... nobody likes to borrow," says King who hopes that residents may have some input into the methods of raising the remainder.

One of the options the board has explored, and continues to explore is partnering with the private sector. However, he says that for a private company to operate, they need to create a profit, which would likely mean higher rental fees than would be in the case if the board could build their own.

"The private partnership is of interest, but whether or not it is viable, remains to be seen," says King.

Whatever way it occurs, the town has set aside some land east of the hospital which they wish to see used for a potential seniors lodge.

In any case, King says the board needs to assess the need in the community of Didsbury and surrounding districts that would use a lodge in the community, to set their visions and goals for the future and encourages everyone to fill out the survey and mail it to them by June 10.

The Mountain View Management Board is made up of elected officials from each of the municipalities within Mountain View County. The board has the mandate of operating all of the lodges in the county including those in Sundre, Olds and Carstairs.



Karen Brown



Doing the Charleston.

## Community of Cremona remembers the little boy lost

By Ceilidh McClurg

A memorial service held to remember the short life of Jack Castonguay was held at Cremona School last Friday.

Officials at the school report about 250 to 300 staff, students and community members gathered in the school gym to remember the boy who was killed in a murder/suicide with his father last Tuesday.

The principal, Dave Couves spoke of the Grade 5 student and offered words of encouragement to the community who mourned the tragedy that many found hard to believe would happen in such a small and quiet community.

He said, "This short week has been difficult for most of us. We have lost one of our young students and it is hard for us to understand and accept why things of this nature need to happen. However, tragedies such as this do happen and we must deal with them to the best of our ability and continue on with our lives."

"It is important for all of us, whether we be fellow students, friends, community members, teachers or support staff, to come together to express our regret at the loss of Jack Castonguay. We choose to be here because Jack has touched all of our lives in some meaningful way. Everyone can tell a story about Jack and the way he contributed to the atmosphere of Cremona School. For my part, I want to talk briefly about Jack's character."

"Yes, Jack was a character. In fact, a great character. He was sometimes challenging and exhausting and made many of us angry. But, he was also loving and humorous and caused all of us to laugh and to look at life from a different perspective or in a different way. Jack had many other special talents. He loved to draw and was very good at it. His singing ability astounded us all and he was prepared to perform for many of us and did so admirably. He had a worldly intelligence that continued to amaze most of us and in his school studies, he was beginning to come into his own. Yes, Jack was a character."

"Today we are gathering in the midst of our grief to celebrate Jack's life. We will remember his positive qualities and allow these qualities to inspire hope for the future. We must, however, bid him farewell and surrender him to God's keeping. Our blessings are offered to Jack's family."

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Life lessons



Nicole  
SMITH

Graduation is a time of excitement, change and memories. It is also a time of choices, freedom and plans for the future.

Last weekend the Didsbury High School Class of '99 had their time to shine. They wore their dresses and tuxedos, held their parties and walked across the stage to receive their diplomas.

Now, the excitement of grad is winding down, and it is time to make plans for the future. What am I going to do with my life? Will I pursue a post-secondary education? What will I study?

Many of the students will be attending college or university this fall. For most, it will be their first time away from home. A chance to start a new life as an individual, to spread their wings and hopefully, soar.

As a recent college graduate myself, and after battling my way through four years of college life, I thought I might be able to shed a little light on what these new high school grads should expect once they leave home.

Rent is non-negotiable. Sure, you can go six months without buying groceries and at least two months without paying cable and telephone bills before they will shut your service off, but rent always has to be paid on time. So, before you start planning pub crawls and parties, make sure that rent is paid. After that, it's anything goes.

Except laundry. You no longer have your mother to rely on to wash your clothes. It's time to step up to the washing machine and try your hand at it. Washing clothes at college is really an art form. You can usually go a few weeks without having to do it, and keep the extra money for other such necessities, like beer. Now, when I say you can go a while without doing laundry, I don't mean underwear and socks. Please, do your future roommates a favour, and keep those washed on a regular basis.

When it comes to cooking, you can't go wrong with a pot and a toaster. These are the essentials of college cuisine. You can cook anything that your heart desires, with these two items. If you really want to be the envy of all your friends at college, you will buy yourself a microwave. They will be lining up at your door to pop their popcorn and bake potatoes.

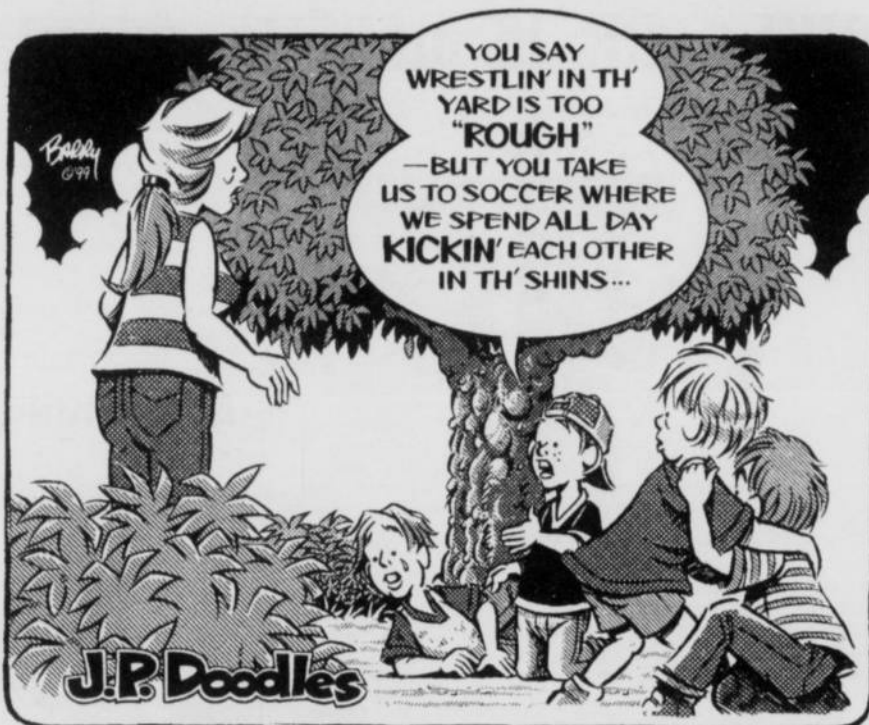
On the subject of food, you can never have enough Kraft Dinner and Ichiban noodles. If you buy these two items at caselot sales, then you won't have to go for groceries for a few months. Their real key is to stockpile when you go home for holidays, ask your parents for money for groceries, and then spend that money as you see fit. Hmmm, I wonder where that money would go?

Now, you need to realize that you will be very busy while at college, with exams, assignments, dates and keggers. You don't want to find yourself run down and tired, so always remember that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. After much thought and a few experimentations, you may find that beer doesn't taste all that bad with cornflakes. Yes, this is true, but remember that beer is a high source of calories, and you want to try and keep a balanced diet. So, use lite beer instead.

Also, you are going to want to try and stay fit while living away from home. You will want to try and keep all those calories burned off (see above paragraph). If you ask me, dancing is really the key here. You can go out at 10 p.m. and dance until around 3 a.m. and keep yourself in really good shape. Don't worry, the lack of energy and bags under your eyes are a side effect of your new workout routine. No need to lose sleep over this.

Well, I hope that these few tips will help the Class of '99 in their future endeavours. As you progress through your life at a post-secondary institution, you may see fit to adapt any of these rules to suit your lifestyle.

Parents, no need to worry too much. It's all part of the cycle of life, and it does pass. Just hope that your children don't decide to pursue a Master's Degree right off the top. Then you may want to consult your local physician.



## Floodgates open for the destruction of the family

A member of Reform's Family Caucus and I were appalled at last Tuesday's passing of a controversial pension bill. Bill C-78 will now extend survivors benefits to gay and lesbian partners of federal public servants.

I fear that now the stage is set for a redefinition of marriage without any public debate. The Bill

is the government's first step in changing federal legislation in favour of same-sex couples. Last week, the Supreme Court struck down Ontario's definition of a spouse as someone of the opposite sex. This will lead to rewriting hundreds of laws.

Bill C-78 was a massive 200 page bill that would allow the government to claim

the \$30 billion surplus that is in the Civil Service, RCMP and Military pension plans. As well survivors of so-called "conjugal relationships" will be entitled to the same pension benefits as those now paid to the widows and widowers in married or common-law relationships.

This bill will destroy the very moral fibre of this country. Men and women, marriage and families have built this country. The Liberals have now opened the floodgates to its destructions.



Myron  
THOMPSON

## Wonderings of the heart

### THE CHALLENGE

By Margaret Fradley

Following the tragic incident in Littleton, CO and the senseless shooting of an innocent victim in Taber, the news has caught national attention.

Those of us who had occasion to watch the memorial service for Jason Lang will never forget it. The words of the principal, friends and classmates, as well as the words and actions of Jason's father will long remain on our minds.

Leaving the pulpit in order to be "close to his people," the Rev. Lang stressed "this must never happen again." He prayed that the love of Christ may fill our hearts, making it possible for us to love one another.

During his talk, he and his wife walked to the very spot where their son had lost his life and as it he put it "they took back the school," taking authority over all the evil and fear that had attempted to take over the school and its students; and that understanding, caring for one another and love would replace any fear.

The Rev. Lang's compassion was evidenced as he prayed for the young boy taken into custody and for his family, and for courage and strength that he himself could help in their healing.

This has been "an awakening call" for all of us, we can now choose to put this all out of our minds and forget about it, or to determine to do something about it.

We need to pray for our young people and the direction they are taking. We need to pray that the love of Christ may fill our hearts.

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# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Notes from Nigeria: The end of the school year is near

Dan and Janet Snyder are Didsburians who are missionaries in Nigeria. They are working at a school in Jos, Nigeria for the Evangelical Missionary Church of Canada, and Dan is teaching math and English, while Janet runs the library for the whole school. Both have been in the country periodically doing the mission work since the late 70s. The couple met while working in Nigeria and married in December 1995. Their latest excursion set out on May 15 last year and they will return to Didsbury in May of 2000 for a three month furlough. They will return to Nigeria and will remain there until 2006. The Snyders send weekly letters to their family telling about their day to day experiences, and we at the Review believe it will be of interest to our readers.

Saturday May 22

Dear friends,

The end is near! Well the end of school is only a few days away. The students started writing their exams on Friday and closing chapel will be next Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. This week was busy with getting the last exams prepared and copied.

Tony finished his research paper. Tony is one of the Grade 6 students that Janet has been teaching how to research, but Tony struggles with school and finds it very discouraging. The rough draft of his paper was very rough. He had spent all the time doing the research but didn't know how to write the paper. Janet worked with him during some extra class periods, asking questions and giving suggestions to help him with the writing process. He would write a paragraph or two and then type them into the computer. One day there was a problem with the disk (it fell apart in the computer) and he had to start over again. Janet agreed to type every other paragraph to help him finish. He finally finished it this week, the last period of the last full day of classes. When he got the printed copy in his hand he danced around the library, so proud of himself. This was a major accomplishment for Tony. Janet told him to go show his mom. His mom works in the school office. We are so proud of Tony. It is not the best research paper ever produced but he stuck to the task, worked hard and completed the work. It was well worth the extra time and help to see the sense of satisfaction on his face.

Things get very busy at this time of year. All the extra programs and activities that are a part of the end of school as well as giving and grading exams makes it quite hectic. It is also a time to acknowledge the accomplishments and achievements of the students. Friday afternoon was the awards ceremony for the high school. Students received recognition for their academic achievements. The students are very competitive with their grades but it was great to see their support of each other as they cheered for their fellow students as they were recognized for achievements in the various

subject areas. There was no sign of resentment because someone else got an award they wanted.

Thursday evening the elementary school presented their concert. Miss Arp, the music teacher, is leaving Hillcrest this year so this was her final concert here. She has also taught art so the concert was a combination music and art presentation. The students made giant replicas of various things in God's creation; plants, flowers, trees, snowflakes and these were incorporated into the program. Miss Arp even wrote some extra verses for some of the songs presented. The verses were about things and people that God had given to the students of Hillcrest because they are a special part of God's creation. It was a great program. The students are always fun to watch, their expressions, their movements and even their shyness as they realize people are watching and listening to them.

The Middle and High School concert was Friday night. Mr. Leddy is also leaving this year. He has brought out some of the best musical abilities in the students. By expecting excellence from them, he has encouraged them to do their very best and it was evident. The music they sang was difficult and they did a superb job. The size of the choir has doubled from one semester to the next. The students are willing to work hard, to stretch beyond the mediocre, if the end product is something they are proud to present. It was an enjoyable evening.

One thing that is always special at this time of year is seeing the former students who return for graduation. It seems like there are more than ever returning this year but maybe it is just more of the students that we know well. It is great to see how they have grown, both physically (most put on weight in America) and spiritually as their faith is challenged in university. At the closing chapel, all former Hillcrest students are asked to stand and tell the year they finished. It will be interesting to see all who have returned. We are eagerly anticipating the end of school. We'll miss the students but the break is much needed.

Sincerely,  
Dan and Janet Snyder

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# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Gun laws are becoming lies warns American

Dear Editor,

Reading this letter might make you safer. I am issuing this urgent call for Ottawa and the Liberal politburo to stop reducing Canadian lawmaking to pure political theatre.

More firearm legislation and gun-control laws are being considered. Just like prior gun laws the Liberals already passed, and with no intention of enforcement. Liberal political theatrics in Ottawa is a fraud against the Canadian people that must stop.

Why are Ottawa Liberals and the federal government bureaucrats so dangerous?

First, the Liberal MPs warm up the audience. Pending gun legislation is introduced and then marketed at press confer-

ences. Then starring political players and special interest gladhandlers conduct their prime-time debate before the legislation gets rubber-stamped into law. The polls get read. The ratings get checked. The government cheers. The news media has an easy story. And the unwary Canadian public gets snowed.

Nobody hangs around long enough to live out the illusion of gun-control laws that got created, like to ones the Liberals enacted a few years ago. That gun legislation had no funding, no prosecutors leading the way, no direction from the courts, and no clear intent to enforce them. It's all fake.

This kind of made-for-TV law-

making in Ottawa is fraudulent and dishonest. It's dangerous because criminals are now emboldened by a government that manufactures gun-control laws it has absolutely no intention of enforcing.

Since 1996, gun-toting criminals in Canada have never had it so good. The prosecution of criminals using guns in crime has been cut - down 50% - since the Liberal's new gun laws took effect. Are criminals afraid of gun laws? Hardly.

Just two students caught at school with a firearm have ever been prosecuted. Criminals caught using a gun during a crime fared just as well. Only 23 were prosecuted in the entire country.

Remember Ottawa's lip-biting pleas for a national gun-owner registry? Since it's now a crime for a criminal to buy a gun, how many criminals nationwide have been prosecuted when they got caught in the act? Zero in 1997, and zero in 1998.

The Ottawa Liberals and bureaucrats cannot keep looking the other way. Without any consequences, these gun laws are all lies.

Common sense demands the Ottawa government reconsider many of the gun laws it has passed, simply because they have no intent to enforce them. Instead, the Liberals are currently considering new firearm laws on top of the 4,000 already on the books.

What can you do? First, speak out against dishonest lawmak-

ing. Demand prosecutors enforce laws already in place before Ottawa makes more laws to ignore.

Second, insist the Toronto-based media do its job. Demand more probing, investigative journalism that shines a cold light upon Ottawa's fraudulent legislative process.

Third, demand accountability. Make it a hard issue to your MP about who's enforcing the law, who's not, why not, and who's paying the bill. Poll-driven fraud and dishonesty from the Ottawa Liberals diminishes your freedoms. After all, if a law is important enough to be passed, then it's important enough to be enforced.

Sincerely,  
Ken B. Armstrong  
Auburn Hills, Michigan

## Cats belong in the house

Dear Editor,

I'm writing this letter about the town hiring a new bylaw officer. I'm really pleased and hope this bylaw will work. But Greg Hnatiuk didn't say anything about cat and dog bylaws.

I'm tired of dogs running around and, worse, all these cats. A cat is a housepet and should belong in the house, not loose and getting in other people's property, messing up my lawnchairs and getting into flowerbeds.

Other cities are handing out cattraps and a fine for the owner. How about this bylaw here in Didsbury?

Sincerely,  
Erika Casebeer, Didsbury

## How can we protect the innocence of children?

Dear Editor,

I write this as I sit and have coffee with the radio on. Once again tears are brought to my eyes as I hear of another shooting at a school. I think of those poor, innocent children.

Do I send mine to school

today? Or do I make up excuses to keep him at home? He doesn't care and he doesn't understand what has really happened.

He doesn't know that his school could be next.

Children shouldn't have that

kind of fear and worry. What about the child that thinks this is the best way out? How can we help?

How can we protect our innocent children?

Sincerely,  
V. Reid, Didsbury

## Demise of Reform

Dear Editor,

There are many misrepresentations being made about what a United Alternative Party can do. Here are two which you may want to think about.

1. There is no merger between Conservatives and a United Alternative Party. Instead of having Reform running against Conservatives, it will be United Alternative and the vote will still be split.

2. Jason Kenney not only lied to Alberta Report but to Reformers at Wild Rose Constituency's AGM by stating, "Reform Party's Blue Book makes no mention of guaranteeing private property ..." (April 19 edition). The 1999 Blue Book on Page 11 under B "... right of every person to own, use and enjoy property (including real, intellectual, and personal property) ..." This is also found in the 56 Reasons why you should support the Reform Party of

Canada and The Blue Book 1991, Page 6 and 7.

A Steering Committee (21) of Conservatives, Quebec Separatists, lawyers and six Reformers (unelected and mysteriously selected) will be picking committees to make policy not grassroots people!

Reformers, remember a yes vote means the demise of the Reform Party of Canada and there is no guarantee that a second vote will be a referendum vote! It is possible that they will have another Assembly and only those who attend will be making the final decision, which in reality eliminates the majority of grassroots Reformers? Read Reform's Blue Book and ask yourself if you want to destroy these grassroots policies by voting yes for a United Alternative.

Sincerely,  
Eileen Walker,  
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Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 19 Ave. or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on June 16, 1999. Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

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# Board passes deficit budget

By Ceilidh McClurg

The school board says they just can't make their budget balance because of lack of dollars in the pot.

The board met last week to give final review to their 1999/2000 budget, and passed the document with a deficit of \$23,055.

According to chairman Roy Brassard, "The board and administration have worked very hard to achieve a balanced budget, and given a total budget of \$67.6 million, and the financial pressures of today, we have come close to achieving this goal."

There was little discussion on the budget at their special meeting last Wednesday as it had gone through many revisions in separate committee meetings.

In addition, as Susan Roy, board treasurer explained, the board had already made the decisions of where the instructional grant dollars would be spent.

"When we look at our total revenue, you've already decided on 68% of it," Roy told the board.

Those decisions were made a couple of months ago when the board was made aware of what their instructional block funding would be, and produced a per student formula based on that total.

Roy explains that the major contributing deficit comes out of that instructional block in the amount of \$356,400. There is a deficit in Operations and maintenance for \$201,784. However, surpluses in the transportation department of \$407,129 and the board system and administration block of \$128,000 result in the net balance of \$23,055.

Roy says that although the budget has been passed, there are still very unstable areas of the document, including the cost of teachers.

The board has been storing reserves under the instructional block. She projects that the schools reserves, which were at a level of \$2.7 million will decline substantially once the teachers' contract dispute is settled.

In fact, Roy says, the lack of a settlement is affecting many areas of the budget, including making it difficult to predict the actual bottom line at the end of the year.

"It's so unfortunate that we are budgeting for an unknown situation," said Roy. She explained that when preparing the document, she basically had to guess that a potential settlement would be reached somewhere between what the ATA was asking for and what the board was offering. She said that this was the only way to draw up a budget without having actual numbers to work with.

The teachers in Chinook's Edge have been working without a contract for two years and therefore, retroactive pay increases and projected future pay increases are impossible to definitively include in the budget.

Brassard said, "This really is a living document," adding that he understood that many areas could be affected both negatively or positively depending on how the teachers contract dispute ends.

The board spends a total of \$4.8 million on salaries, wages and benefits for all of their staff across the region.

Roy says when she was examining the budget, it was important to estimate accurately the level of enrolment in the division, as they are funded for the most part based on Full-time Equivalent Enrolment units. Roy says she predicts there will be 10,850 students in the division that will finish the school year here. Roy admits that her guess is very conservative, as the present enrolment is actually already above that level, but she prefers to be conservative, rather than be disappointed at the end of the year when there are not enough FTEs to fund the budget.

As a result of the enrolment, the treasurer is predicting the student teacher ratio in the division this year to sit at about 20.5 students to every certificated classroom teacher. In the average calculation it also includes schools that deal with severely handicapped where the ratio is much smaller, therefore the ratio in reality in the average classroom is higher.

This is the first time in recent history that the board has actually planned to work with a deficit budget. According to history provided, in the two previous school years there has been a surplus, in 97/98 that surplus was in excess of \$1.5 million according to audited financial statements.

Roy pointed out that there were a number of transfers of dollars out of the Grade 1 to 12 instructional block to help balance the areas of schooling that are not adequately funded by the province. This includes a transfer out of that pot and into a central pot that helps to place additional funds in schools for severe behavioural and handicapped students.

There are also transfers that help to cover the cost of kindergarten for local kids. \$50,000 is taken from the Grade 1 to 12 budget to pay for the kindergarten program. In addition, the kindergarten classes don't pay their share for administration in the schools in which they are located, or the full cost of the teaching staff required. Assistant superintendent, Jim Gibbons called all of this a "hidden support" system allowing kindergarten to continue in Chinook's Edge.

The board chair said before the budget was passed that he was overall pleased with how it shaped up for 1999/2000, but recognized that the bottom line could change as a result of any number of factors.

The deficit budget was carried unanimously.

# Teachers could strike by fall

By Ceilidh McClurg

Negotiations continue between the teachers and the school board, but the local Alberta Teachers Association representative isn't hopeful.

Another meeting has been scheduled between the ATA and the board with a mediator on June 1 in an attempt to resolve a contract dispute that has carried on for more than two years.

Bob Worsfold, ATA representative, says he is not confident a settlement will occur. In fact, he says, he believes the board has been wholly unco-

operative. Worsfold says the ATA attempted to set a meeting with the board previous to June 1 without a mediator's assistance, but the board refused that offer.

In addition, he says, during the last round of talks, it was the board's turn to present an offer, but they did not. Instead, the ATA put a second negotiated offer on the table which was unanimously declined by the board last month.

"We would already be at a strike vote position if we hadn't put an offer on the table at the last meeting," he says.

Worsfold says that although he hopes there will be an agreement his week, he suspects that is unlikely.

However, the option is there. There are three ways the discussions could go.

In the most optimistic of outcomes, a memorandum of agreement could be drawn, which would be initiated by each side meaning that they would recommend signing of the contract to their respective memberships. This is the route that Worsfold says he hopes will be taken.

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# ATA rep says new teachers should be in budget

By Ceilidh McClurg

Local Alberta Teacher's Association representative, Bob Worsfold, says that he believes the board should have made room in their budget to hire new teachers.

Worsfold says that although it may look like the board can't afford to make such a move, he believes the deficit budget passed last week is not nearly as bad as it looks.

He believes that there was some major under-budgeted items, which once they are worked out at the end of the year will likely put the board into a surplus situation, making room to hire new staff.

One of those areas that Worsfold questions is the revenue from interest. He points out that the budget document only shows a \$10,000 interest revenue. However, he says, last year the interest gained was around \$92,000, a large difference. That alone, he says, would put the board into a surplus situation rather than the \$23,000 deficit projected.

Another area that Worsfold

says may be underestimating their income is where the student enrolment is concerned. Worsfold says he expects the enrolment to be closer to the 10,950 mark. This would mean more full-time equivalent grant dollars.

It is that very enrolment, and lack of new teaching staff that deeply concerns Worsfold.

"Over the past few years the student numbers have been increasing, but the teacher population is staying the same," said Worsfold after reviewing the Chinook's Edge budget.

He points to statistics that show in 1996, with a student population of 10,391, the number of teachers in the division was 571. In 1998, there were almost 500 more students and the same amount of teachers. He believes at least 20 teachers should have been hired over that time to handle the influx of classroom numbers. He says that this basically equates to teacher cuts because there are less teachers for more students.

Worsfold says, "They (the school board) have also cut teachers here, they've just done it more quietly than other jurisdictions."

He says he hopes the board takes note of the situation and works to improve it. "I would hope that their first priority would be to maintain and where possible, to improve classroom learning conditions by reducing the pupil/teacher ratio."

Worsfold says he also has concerns once he reviews the audited financial statements

for last year. He says they show that Chinook's Edge spent an average of \$5367 per pupil overall, which in comparison with the other boards ranks them 50th in the province for per pupil spending. The provincial average is \$6090.

He believes this could be a result of the previous boards allowing the maintenance of the schools go for so many years, that the present board is now having to draw funds out of the instructional budget and put them into maintenance items in

the amount of \$200,000 for a Building Quality Restoration Fund account.

Worsfold says that he is unsure if the board could achieve everything he would like to see them achieve in terms of pupil/teacher ratios, and increased per student spending within the constraints of their budget.

But, he adds, "If that results in a deficit budget, then this board should be joining the Alberta School Boards Association and the school councils in saying to the government that education is underfunded."

## Negotiations continue in dispute

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The second situation would be if the mediator thinks the two sides are close enough to an agreement, but neither is willing to bend, he can write up an agreement and recommend that both sides sign.

Worsfold says, "If they come to the meeting on the 1st and refuse to put an offer forward, then I guess it will be a short day. It is definitely their turn."

Worsfold explains that if there is an offer put forward, the teachers will be presented with the proposal at their general meeting on June 7.

If no agreement can be reached, the third and least desirable option will take effect.

The ATA would seek authorization from the government to take a strike vote. If the authorization is successful and the teachers vote by a majority to take a strike vote, things will proceed and students in the local division would be experiencing a bumpy start to the coming school year.

"The fall is not going to be pretty," he says.

Worsfold says there will be a work to rule campaign in the fall.

The last attempt at an agreement came early in May when the teachers asked for a 2.98% wage increase for 1997/1998 and a 3.8% increase for 1998/1999, and another 3% for 1999/2000. It also sought a 5% benefit increase this year.

Chinook's Edge school board chair, Roy Brassard said that the request was unreasonable.

Chinook's Edge teachers are the last bargaining unit without an agreement for the 1997/1998 school year and one of

the last without an agreement for the 1998/1999 school year, says Worsfold.

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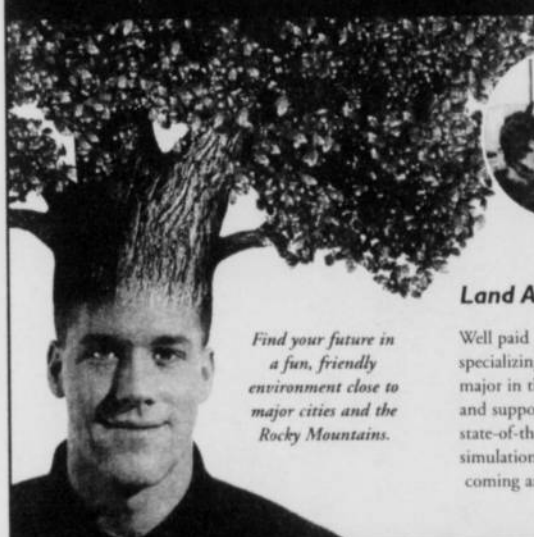
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## Lifeline saves lives and offers peace of mind

*Program celebrates 10th anniversary of peace of mind*

By Ceilidh McClurg

Lifeline is more than just a little machine, to many residents it is a tool of independence and of life.

Harriet Lynch-Staunton says the machine that connects her to a personal response system is also peace of mind for herself, her family and her friends. She has been a client of Lifeline since 1991.

Shirley Thompson, who serves on the non-profit board that runs Lifeline, says that is what draws most people to the system.

"It is a comfort for the family, it is a comfort for the friends, and it is also a comfort for the client," says Thompson.

It looks simple enough. Lifeline is a system that keeps the elderly, the handicapped, or those who are temporarily in need of help after returning from the hospital, safe in their homes.

Clients wear a small button around their necks, a button that in a severe case could mean the difference between life and death. One push of that little button connects the client with a 24 hour telephone centre based out of Olds.

The operator then attempts to phone the client to make sure everything is okay. If the operator is unable to get through to the client, she telephones one of three volunteer sponsors that live near to the home and have access to the house come and check on the situation. In the meantime, the client and the operator are able to keep in touch by talking through the system receiver.

"It surely does work," says Lynch-Staunton. She says luckily she has never been in a severe emergency. However, one night in her sleep she rolled over onto the personal help button.

"My responder was here almost before I could get the light one," she laughs. Although this was a little humorous she says it was comforting to know that the system works and if she ever really did need them, they would be there 24 hours a day.

A total of 44 people in Didsbury and area are one the Lifeline system. It is a small price to pay, \$18 per month, for the comfort of knowing that there is a network of guardian angels out there watching over you, says Lynch-Staunton. Annie Pringle, also a dedicated member of the board since its inception ten years ago estimates that there have been at least 150 users of the Lifeline system since its inception.

That was almost exactly ten years ago. Lifeline is celebrating their anniversary this week, and a proclamation from the Mayor of Didsbury proclaiming it Lifeline Week in Didsbury makes it official.

Ten years ago the possibility of staying at home and keeping their independence was not as likely as it is today.

"We saw that there was a need," says Pringle who played a role in bringing the system to Didsbury.

"We had a lot of community support," she adds. The Didsbury Lions, The Elks and other service groups played a very

integral part in getting the system functioning with donations.

Since then, says Anne Milne, another member of the board, they have become self-sufficient with a volunteer board and the cost of operating covered by the nominal fee charged to the clients.

Three of the first residents in Didsbury to sign onto the program are still members and are celebrating Lifeline's anniversary with them.

It is a proud occasion for sure. Lives have been saved. Thompson recounts one instance when a local man had to use the personal response system to call for help while he was in the middle of a stroke. He could not get to a phone, but had the strength to push his button. It saved his life.

It is also a comfort to the doctors who are sending patients home.

"The health unit and the doctors have been very supportive," says Pringle.

It seems to be a theme of Lifeline that it brings peace of mind to those who use it, and those whose loved ones are protected by the system. Even some members of the volunteer board are clients themselves.

"To me, Lifeline gives a quality of life and peace of mind," says Thompson.

When leaving Lynch-Staunton's home, there is a sticker on the door that says, "This Home Protected by Lifeline."

Lynch Staunton says, "I really feel that."



Harriet Lynch-Staunton holds out her personal response button. She says it offers her a sense of independence.

## May a busy month for Cremona School

During the month of May, Cremona School is very busy. In preparing for graduation, track meets, and "May Monarch," almost everyone's schedule is filled rather fast.

From May 7-16, Grades 9-12 had our annual "May Monarch," which is a major fund-raiser for the Students' Union. Each grade was challenged to raise as much money as it could for our school. The winning class would receive a trip to Sylvan Lake on June 11. Each grade nominated a monarch and manager as representatives of their grade. These two people organize the rest of the grade to find contacts in the community, and to get enough people out to do the work. The aforementioned work can be anything from picking rocks to painting.

The money raised goes to the Students' Union, who in turn, spends it in many ways: presentations, field trips, equipment and graduations are a few examples.

On May 14, the Students' Union held its annual May Monarch dance. Power 107s Mel Risdon DJed once again and everyone had a great time. Instead of issuing the May Monarch prizes at the dance, we held an assembly after lunch the following Tuesday.

Though everyone worked hard, the Grade 10s won out in the end. It was a close call between the 9s and the 10s, but the Grade 10s manager's perseverance gave them the winning combination. Their Monarch was Curtis McRae and his manager was Marla Foat. They each received a bouquet of roses and a \$15 gift certificate to the local pizza place.

The rest of the managers and monarch candidates received carnations and they all received a round of applause.

The Junior High track meet was held on May 17-18 and many students are heading out to the Counties on May 25 in Carstairs. The Senior High track meet was held in Carstairs on May 19, though many people wished that it had been postponed a day. The rain and wind gave it an interesting twist however. Many Cremona kids received first in their events. Several personal goals were beaten and effort was high.

As our school year gets shorter, so in some cases, do our attention spans. However, it is merely because our plans for the future are becoming more real and much more achievable.

Until June, when the workload is really on, adieu.



**LIFE ON THE LINE**  
Shirley Thompson speaks with the Lifeline operator in Olds while doing a test run on the receiver equipment.

**LITTLE ONES AND LEADERS**

The Didsbury Sparks, Brownies, Guides and Rangers gathered at the Rosebud Campground last week to honor those among them who would move up the ranks into the next level of the guiding movement. Above, the youngest of the group, the Sparks, who were moving up to Brownies slid down the slide and were officially welcomed into their new troupes by a Brownie. Right, the Rangers lead the pack during the ceremonies. Below, it wasn't all pomp and ceremony. In fact, there was a little bit of clowning around on the playground equipment before and after the evenings events.



## Answer to "What is a CAC?"

Last week we published a trivia question to get you thinking about an organization in our community. Below is the answer to that question.

E) Community Advisory Committee

A committee of individuals from Cremona, Carstairs, Wa-

ter Valley, Didsbury and Three Hills area who provide community support and input to the Alberta Mental Health Board. We provide an advocacy for individuals with a mental illness and education to front line professionals and the general public. The CAC also monitors the

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# News from the Dragon's Den

Welcome to this week's edition of the Dragon's Den.

As the academic year is winding down, students are preparing for important events like Grade Nine Camp, Track and Field Competitions, and of course, final exams.

The rest of the results from the Senior Track Meet held in Carstairs on May 19 have also surfaced recently. Most of those students who were named Aggregate winners will be going on to the Zones Competition for Seniors on June 3, and also for Juniors on June 9. In the Juvenile Division (Grade 9) Track and Field Meet on May 25, Jody Dalziel was the Aggregate Winner. A special congratulations goes out to all those who participated and won the many events. After the zone competitions are over, the Provincial Meet will be held on June 11-12. And we wish all our DHS competitors every success.

Grade 9 Camp has been scheduled for June 7-10. Letters have already gone home regarding what students must bring and the itinerary for the trip. Any parents who have not received this information may contact Mr. Leggette, Mr. Auger, Mr. Logan or Mrs. Sellers at the school.

The next School Council meeting is planned for June 15 at 7 p.m. in the DHS library. Also a reminder, since the end of the year is near, the library is starting inventory soon and asks that students please return all materials as soon as possible.

Six Grade 9 students competed in a Canada-Wide math Competition run by the University of Waterloo. DHS ranked 573 out of 1420 schools across Canada and ranked 44 out of 91 for schools in Alberta. The team was led by Robert McWhinney who ranked 44 out of 2303 students in Alberta, and will receive a medal for his achievements. Jennifer Meadows, Susan Tucker and Melissa Brooke will receive certificates of distinction. The other competitors were Jody Dalziel and Courtney Nadeau. All competitors did very well on this university-level math test. Congratulations to all.

Mr. Wegner and the musically talented bands of DHS held their final concert on June 2. It included dinner and turned out to be a wonderful success. Congratulations to all those who were involved and of course gratitude and appreciation is extended to the Band Committee. Mr. Wegner and all the students for their efforts on bringing this final concert to the community.

The Mountain View Driving School is starting another Driver's Training program on June 11. The cost is \$330, and for more information or to sign up, contact Marty Schrader at 337-3751 by June 7.

Newsletters went out on Friday, May 28. Be sure you have one. It will have the exams scheduled onto the calendar. This is definitely an important item to hang on your fridge.

Exams are almost here. Grade 12s begin on June 18 with the English 30/33 Part A exam, but exam

week is officially June 21-25. Students may find out when their exams are by checking schedules posted around the school or in the monthly newsletter. Grade 12 Awards Night is June 28, and report cards may be picked up at the school on June 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. One last reminder, June 11 is a 9 for 10 day so there will be no school.

Finally, we would like to extend our appreciation to all those members of the community who helped make this year's Grad such

a successful evening. And of course, we hope all those who attended enjoyed Grad 99's "Last of its Kind" Celebration. And to all the Grads, congratulations on putting on such a spectacular event.

**TWO STEPPIN'**  
Joy Dornbusch and JC MacLeod pass around the arena floor during the Grand March of the graduation ceremonies on Saturday night.



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# South West Didsbury news: times of change

By Bessie Eckstrand

Congratulations and best wishes go to newlyweds Chris Rompain and Cliff Fortner, son of Caroline (Fortner) and husband Ron Olson of west Didsbury. They were married at St. Stephen's Catholic Church on May 8. The reception for about 150 guests was held at the beautifully decorated Legion Hall in Olds, followed by a dance. The happy couple opened their many lovely gifts at Chris' parental Rompain home on Sunday afternoon and on Monday the couple left for a week holiday to Disneyland. They returned home on May 16 and took up residence in their home in Didsbury. Cliff works in Calgary and Chris in Olds. The area wishes you folks many happy years together.

Belated sympathy of the area goes to Larry and Sylvia Rice, as their grandson Calum Murphy of Bowden was killed recently at Red Lodge Park west of Bowden. He was hit in the chest by a baseball, in a friendly little baseball game at a church picnic.

Nineteen ladies and six children attended the May Coffee Party at Westcott Hall on May 12, with hostesses Michelle and Donna Luft. Tables were tastefully decorated with gardening necessities, like a minute shovel, pails, gloves and a gardening book by Lois Hole. All enjoyed visiting and a lovely lunch and each took home a small plant from Michelle's greenhouse.

Henry and Erna Goerzen returned home on May 9 from a 10-day holiday to Abbotsford, BC and Portland, Oregon. They reported nice weather and scenic mountain driving with Rhododendriums and Azaleas in bloom.

Dates to remember:

June 19 - from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Westcott Hall Board will host a Multi-Family Garage Sale. Tables are \$10 and half a table is \$5. Phone 335-8932 to book a table.

June 24 - School's Out Picnic at Westcott Hall. Games 5:30 p.m. Supper at 6 p.m. Weiners supplied, potluck for the rest. Everyone is welcome. There will be a hayride.

A large crowd attended the Florence Nightengale Tea on May 12 at the Didsbury Hospital Assembly Room. Angel Food Cake and Lemon Sauce were served for lunch and all enjoyed visiting.

Henry and Ursula Kuelker of Didsbury and Donna and Gus

Ritter of Mayerthorpe are proud to announce a new granddaughter - Danielle Marie, born May 21 weighing 6 lbs, 2 oz. Proud parents are Ruth and Tom Kuelker of Calgary. Congratulations folks.

Well, we finally got some rain, a little bit of hail a couple weeks

ago. It got quite cool in the evening, but I don't think it hurt anything. People are nervous about putting out bedding plants until the first of June. The grass is coming in good now and the gardens are coming up but we're hoping to get more rain.

## West Didsbury 4-H

By Cassandra Hrabok

The West Didsbury 4-H Club has been keeping busy within the year. All members have been working hard to get their 4-H projects finished and ready for the shows that are coming up.

The West Didsbury Club had their Club Heifer Show. It was very successful. Fifteen 4-H projects were competing against each other. The Grand Champion Female went to Cassandra Hrabok. Purebred Simmental Yearling Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Female went to Lita McDonald, Tarentaise Cow and Calf. Congratulations to all those 4-Hers who participated. Also, we would like to acknowledge the judges and all the parents who helped out with serving food.

On May 22 and 23, we had our Annual District Heifer Show at the Olds Cow Palace. About 100 female projects were present. Thirty degrees in the shade and three feet for each animal did not fit together, but we managed to hold onto our frustration. Thank you to all those who helped through the show.

On June 9 we will be having our Carstairs Steer Show and Sale. Five clubs from around the area will be bringing their 4-H steers to Carstairs. The show will commence around 10:30 or 11 a.m. The sale begins at 6 p.m. with a potluck supper for 4-Hers, 4-H families and steer buyers, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The West Didsbury 4-H Club had their 4-H meeting on May 31 at Westcott Hall.

West Didsbury will also be competing with other clubs across the province at 4-H on Parade from June 4-6. Everybody's welcome to come and watch. 4-H on Parade will be in Calgary at the Stampede Grounds at the Pavilion. Hope to see you there.



### ARTISTIC ABILITY

Daniel, 5, Alison, 7, and Megan 9, Graf all check out some of the amazing artistic talents of their fellow students at Ross Ford Elementary School during an art show held last Tuesday in the gymnasium.

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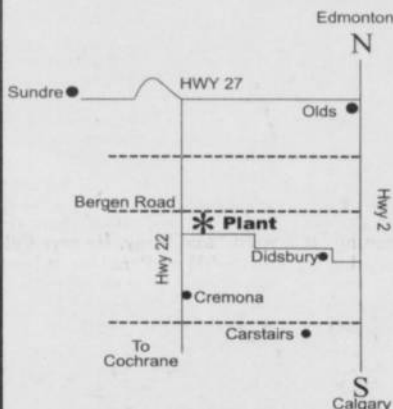
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# Didsburians' aid reaches Kosovar refugees

Six containers of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) relief food - donated through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank - have arrived in Montenegro, which is part of Yugoslavia and now host to thousands of Kosovar refugees. Numerous farmers in the Didsbury area have contributed grain to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank while other businesses and individuals have contributed cash, products and labour to growing projects for the CFGB. Other have made donations to the Mennonite Central Committee and supported the MCC Didsbury Relief Sale in 1997. All these efforts and gifts are now giving life and hope to thousands affected by the war in the Balkans. Transport of the supplies, from Canada and through war-torn parts of Europe, went so smoothly, staff could only attribute the safe arrival to God's intervention.

The containers sailed from Canada to Holland, where they were held for only two days

before the food was loaded onto five trucks; some drivers took a route through Italy, others through Croatia. All arrived in Montenegro at the beginning of the month. Now the Orthodox church is distributing the 114 tons of oil, wheat, flour and beans to Kosovar refugees.

Balkan Refugee Kits prepared by Albertans are now being shipped to Albania. Each week a 40-foot ocean-cargo container of refugee kits is setting sail for Albania; this schedule will continue throughout the fall of 1999. As the war continues, MCC Alberta has extended the deadline for collection of Balkan Refugee Kits to June 25.

Ken From of Didsbury is Alberta's Resource Development Coordinator for the Mennonite Central Committee and has already seen a generous response of people in the Didsbury area. Individuals, families, schools, churches, Sunday School classes and service groups are encouraged to prepare a Balkan Relief Kit. People wishing to donate a

refugee kit should place the following items in a bag or box and deliver to the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church where it will be taken to the Calgary warehouse for shipment to the Balkans. Churches, schools or service organizations may wish to serve as collection points and then forward the Balkan Refugee Kit to Ken From at ZEMC. Please limit your generosity to the items requested.

Relief Kit Contents:

- 4 bars of antibacterial soap (or regular soap if antibacterial not available)
- 1 plastic bottle of shampoo (min. 450 ml. Place in plastic bag)
- 10 cups of powdered laundry detergent (place in two re-sealable plastic 4 litre-size bags)
- 1 tube of toothpaste (min 130 ml)
- 4 adult-sized toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels
- 1 each hairbrush, comb, nail clipper
- 1 box sterile gauze pads (approximately 10 cm x 10 cm.

Minimum 10 pads)

- 1 roll adhesive tape for medical use (1.2 cm x 9 metres long)
- 1 package of 24 sanitary pads (thin maxi)
- signed notes of love and concern (optional)

• \$10 cash or cheque payable to MCC to help with shipping

As well, MCC continues to purchase supplies in the region for immediate distribution to the refugees. Items purchased include mattresses, diapers and underwear. People wishing to contrib-

ute money to MCC's relief efforts in the Balkans are assured that all funds are fully accounted for and distribution of aid is closely monitored to assure that it reaches the intended recipients. Cheques should be made out to Mennonite Central Committee, marked Yugoslav War Victims and mailed to MCC, 76 Skyline Cres. NE, Calgary, AB, T2K 5X7. For further information you may contact Ken From, MCC Alberta at (403) 275-6935 or at home at (403) 335-4854.

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## Local 4-Hers in 4-H on Parade

It's a uniquely large mix of people and projects, animals and aspirations. Calgary's 4-H on Parade brings them all together for a whirlwind culmination of a year's achievement on June 4-6 at the Calgary Stampede's agriculture barns.

"This Achievement Day event has been growing for years," reports Max Fritz, Stampede agriculture manager. "It's no longer a small show. We've got to start treating it as a major event."

To back up his words, Fritz quoted an array of statistics. The three-day event will involve about 800 children (ages 9-21) from 43 Calgary-area 4-H clubs. Those children, accompanied by about 250 leaders, will show a variety of livestock projects: 190 sheep (some with baby lambs), 227 steers, 385 beef heifers (some with newly born calves at side), and 203 horses. In addition, there'll be a multi-judging event and rabbit and poultry shows. "It's the largest stand-alone 4-H show in Canada," Fritz said.

"As far as I know, it is," said Milo Barfuss, regional 4-H specialist for Southern Alberta. "Plus, some of the others are connected to fairs and exhibitions. 4-H on Parade is an event all by itself."

Along with showcasing 4-H

projects in shows and contests, 4-H on Parade has become a great get-together event for families and friends, Fritz said. A "Parade" highlight continues to be the annual lip-sync competition on Saturday evening. It pits clubs against each other in four-minute presentations as huge crowds cheer their efforts.

The task of hosting the participants has taken on mammoth proportions. Stampede catering will feed 600-800 people three times daily in pre-purchased meal plans. As for facility space, Fritz expects almost 126,000 sq. ft. of room allotted to the event.

A stampede committee of 17, chaired by Doug Wray, Irricana, organizes 4-H on Parade. The Stampede agriculture department supplies facilities and provides event coordination.

And there's a lot to do. The 2 p.m. Saturday steer show, for example, has 227 entries, "making it the largest 4-H steer show in Canada," Fritz said, "and quite possibly the largest Canadian steer show of any kind." This year, Dr. Joel Cowley, a beef animal specialist at Michigan State University, will judge the show. The Sunday afternoon 4-H Steer Sale will offer the animals to sponsors, beef producers and the public.

Yet the key to the event isn't the organizers, parents, sponsors, or the Stampede.

"It's about 4-Hers who have worked hard all year. Achievement Day is part of their reward," said Wray. He says Calgary's 4-H on Parade is at least 25 years old. "For some families, it is into the third generation of involvement already."

Fritz credits a lot of the recent growth to the organizers who have worked to make the 4-H on Parade a major event.

"We've also had good support from grass-roots sponsors," he said, citing companies like Calgary's Agro Equipment (John Deere) and the Calgary Public Stockyards in Strathmore. He announced that Fernz Sulfer Works Inc. of Irricana, has come aboard as the title sponsor for 1999.

As for the future, Fritz expects 4-H on Parade to become larger and even more diversified.

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The Olds/ Didsbury Alberta Seniors Games Society invites all seniors to join them as we celebrate Senior Citizens Week. On June 10, from 2-4 p.m., members of the Alberta Seniors Games are hosting an old-fashioned Strawberry Tea at the Didsbury 5-0 Club.

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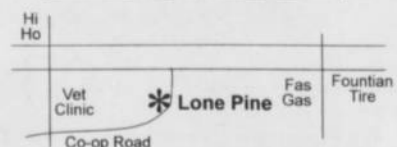
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## Focus on the Family

James C. Dobson, PH.D., is founder and president of Focus on the Family, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Dr. Dobson is married, the father of two grown children, and resides in Colorado. For 14 years he was an associate clinical professor of pediatrics and the university of Southern California School of Medicine, and served for 17 years on the attending staff of the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. He has also been heavily involved in governmental activities relating to the preservation of the family.

**QUESTION:** We have a 6-year-old son who is a late bloomer and is having trouble learning to read. Even though he is immature, I don't understand why this would keep him from reading.

**DR. DOBSON:** It is likely that your late-maturing youngster has not yet completed a vital neurologic process involving an organic substance called myelin.

At birth, the nervous system of the body is not insulated. That is why an infant is unable to reach out and grasp an object; the electrical command or impulse is lost on its journey from the brain to the hand. Gradually, a whitish substance (myelin) begins to coat the nerve fibers, allowing controlled muscular action to occur.

Myelination typically proceeds from the head downward and from the center of the body outward. In other words, a child can control the movement of his head and neck before the rest of his body. Control of the shoulder precedes the elbow, which precedes the wrist, which precedes the large muscles in the hands, which precedes small muscle coordination of the fingers. This explains why elementary school children are taught block letter printing before they learn cursive writing; the broad strokes and lines are less dependent on minute finger control than the flowing curves of mature penmanship.

Since the visual apparatus in humans is usually the last neural mechanism to be myelinated, your immature child may not have undergone this necessary developmental process at his present age of 6 years. Therefore, such a child who is extremely immature and uncoordinated may be neurologically unprepared for the intellectual tasks of reading and writing. Reading, particularly, is a highly complex neurological process. The visual stimulus must be relayed to the brain without distortion, where it should be interpreted and retained in the memory.

Not all 6-year-old children are equipped to perform this task. Unfortunately, however, our culture permits few exceptions or deviations from the established timetable. A child of that age must learn to read or he will face the emotional consequences of failure. This is why I favor either holding an immature child out of school for a year or home-schooling him or her for several years.

**QUESTION:** What is the most difficult period of adolescence, and what is behind the distress?

**DR. DOBSON:** The 18th year is typically the time of greatest conflict between parent and child. But the 13th and 14th years commonly are the most difficult 24 months in life for the youngster.

It is during this adolescent period that self-doubt and feelings of inferiority reach an all-time high, amidst the greatest social pressures yet experienced. An adolescent's worth as a human being hangs precariously on peer group acceptance, which can be tough to garner. Thus, relatively minor evidence of rejection or ridicule is of major significance to those who already see themselves as fools and failures.

It is difficult to overestimate the impact of having no one to sit with on the school-sponsored bus trip, or of not being invited to an important event, or of being laughed at by the "in" group, or of waking up in the morning to find seven shiny new pimples on your forehead, or of being slapped by the girl you thought had liked you as much as you liked her. Some boys and girls consistently face this kind of social catastrophe throughout their teen years.

Dr. Urie Bronfenbrenner, the eminent authority on child development at Cornell University, told a Senate committee that the junior high years are probably the most critical to the development of a child's mental health. It is during this time of self-doubt that the personality is often assaulted and damaged beyond repair. Consequently, said Bronfenbrenner, it is not unusual for healthy, happy children to enter junior high school, but then emerge two years later as broken, discouraged teenagers.

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# The loving presence of the Father

"How Great is the Love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called children of God." 1 John 3:1

In a single income family with five children, my parents scrimped to put food on the table and clothes on our backs. There was not much room for luxuries. Toys were often the kind that could and were shared with siblings. One Christmas in my early childhood was different. My grandmother, knowing of my love for airplanes, sent me a toy plane. It was my most treasured possession and I handled it with great care.

Before long the inevitable happened. I am not sure how, though I long suspected my kid brother, the tin wing became separated from the body.

I was crushed when I saw my prized possession broken. I didn't know what to do so I did what came naturally. I took my broken toy to my father. He gathered me in his arms and brushed away the tears. Together we went to his tool room where he repaired the wing and restored my prized possession.

Many years later, now this memory is a reminder not only of the love of my father, but also of the love, presence and care of my heavenly Father.

There are many other times that I have experienced brokenness in my life, not just broken prized possession, but broken emotionally, physically, yes even spiritually. Perhaps you have too. I think of prized relationships that have been severed or fractured

through strife or accident, illness or death. Times when goals or dreams or hopes have been shattered. The expectations that I had for myself or others ended in bitter disappointment and frustration. Sin has a way of destroying, shattering, messing up the things we prize the most.

But God is able to penetrate the gloom that often surrounds those trying days of our lives. He is not a remote uncaring power, somewhere out there. He is our Father who even now

comes to us, to pick us up off the ash heap of our failures and brokenness. In love He walks with us in our anger and pain and frustration and loneliness. He brings us into His tool room, and there with His Gospel He mends and heals the brokenness of our bodies and souls.

Over the years I have received many other toys that got broken some of which my father fixed, many which ended up in the garbage. After all, there are limits to a father's ability!

My father could not resolve the brokenness which occurred between myself and my brother. But where we are limited, God is not. And He was able to restore that relationship, overcoming sin and working for-

giveness and healing in myself and my brother.

In our lives there will always be problems and trials and sometimes these will grow to unbearable intensity. However, our confidence is in our heavenly Father who walks with us, and who is waiting with open arms to gently take our broken lives and make them whole. In Him, I have found peace and hope, joy and confidence, in good and in bad times. These remain my prized possessions.

As we see new life returning to the fields and gardens, it is a wonderful reminder of the abiding presence of a good and gracious heavenly Father who brings to life that which is dead.

It is a reminder that failure and brokenness are not the last words over our life. Rather, we have a heavenly Father who is so concerned for us that He put our welfare above the welfare of His only Son, who willingly suffered even death on a cross to bring about our restoration as the children of God.

On the weekend we celebrated the graduation of some of our young people in the community. We encouraged them to dream dreams and pursue their goals.

To this needs to be added the encouragement to hang on to your Heavenly Father and pursue the prize He has intended for you, the salvation of your soul, the joy of an abundant eternal life with Him, through a living faith in His Son Jesus Christ.



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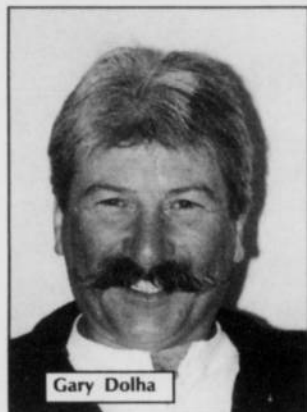
See You in Church This Sunday!



# Faces

a brief glimpse of people and events in our community

Compiled by Nicole Smith



Gary Dolha

## Giant Garage Sale

If you are looking for something specific, or just want to browse, then the Canada Day Garage Sale just may be the place for you.

The sale is set to hit the Didsbury Curling Rink on June 5, starting at 9 a.m.

Gary Dolha, a member of the Canada Day committee, says that this sale will offer just about anything that a person could be looking for.

The committee has been collecting items for this sale since the end of March,

and some of the items include: furniture, stereos, clothing, toys, gardening equipment, tools, books and lots of bikes.

"Last year's sale was the best. We really got it down to a science," Dolha said.

None of the sale items have been priced, so the best offer gets the merchandise.

He says that they are planning to have the "Toonie for a Box" offer again this year, in which people can have whatever they can carry for \$2. This event takes place later in the day.

Dolha says that anything that is left over after the sale, which usually isn't a lot, is donated to different charities, like the Red Deer Women's Shelter, who was given furniture left over from last year's sale.

He says that anything that can't be donated, will be recycled, and anything left after that is hauled to the dump by a volunteer from the Town of Didsbury.

All the money raised at the garage sale is put towards the purchase of fireworks for the Canada Day celebrations.

"We've definitely got the best fireworks in Mountain View County," he said.

Dolha reminds everyone that the sale doesn't start until 9 a.m., and there will be no early birds allowed.

He does say that if you would like to peruse the merchandise before the sale starts, volunteers are needed on Friday night to help move the collected sale items from the small ice arena into the curling rink. If you are interested in helping, you can meet the committee at the west entrance to the small arena after 7 p.m. on June 4.



Len Bell

## Welcome to Didsbury

The staff at the Didsbury Memorial Complex is pleased to welcome Len Bell, their new arena operator.

Bell moved to Didsbury at the beginning of the month in time to begin his new job on May 3. He comes to us from Killam, AB, where he ran the arena there for one season.

Bell is already busy at the complex, painting and cleaning up after the busy winter season. He will also be taking care of the ice during hockey and figure skating time next year.

Bell says that he has been working in the arena environment for the past eight years, after doing his schooling in Red Deer and Sherwood Park.

He says that he is already enjoying his time in Didsbury. "It's a really nice environment," Bell said. "It's nice and quiet here."

## Canadian Wide Winners

Two local teens have really hit it big in the world of science fairs.

Steven and Kristen Tannas, of Cremona, received a bronze medal in the Senior Level of competition at the Canadian-Wide Science Fair, held at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, May 17-23.

Their project, titled "Environmental Influences on Wild Ungulate Utilization," was a four-year dedicated study. In their study, the brother and sister team looked at nine different sites, taking many surveys, to try and find the best habitat for deer.

When they headed off the Edmonton this past May, it wasn't their first time. Steven has attended this prestigious science fair five times, and this was Kristen's third time going.

Kristen said that there were about 500 projects at the fair, with as many as 700 competitors.

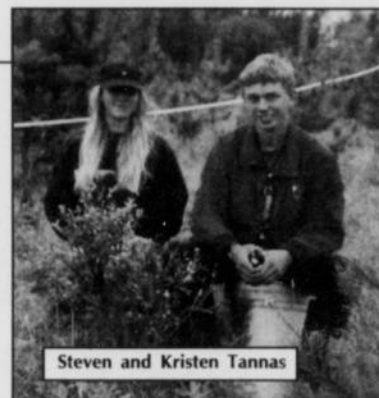
"There was absolutely everything there," Kristen said of the many projects.

"We knew what we were going up against. This competition is really tough."

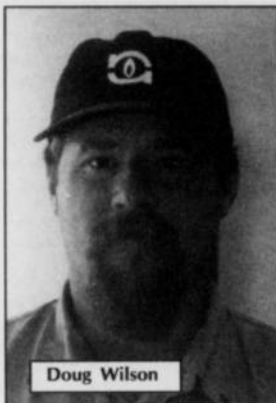
In addition to their medal, the pair also received a \$200 cash prize for all their hard work.

"We are happy with what we got," she said. "We were happy to get anything, because there it's so tough to get anything."

The pair plan to attend the fair next year, presenting a computer program that they are developing based on their findings of this project.



Steven and Kristen Tannas



Doug Wilson

## Didsbury Youth Club

Since the implementation of the Didsbury Youth Club last November, the Executive Board has been working hard to create awareness and interest in town.

The group has held a few events so far, including a dance for Westglen students and gym time every Sunday afternoon at DHS.

Doug Wilson, Chairperson for the club, says that they are working hard to create interest with parents and children in our community.

"We're still trying to identify what would be effective," Wilson said. "We're open to ideas from anyone and everyone."

Some of the program ideas that the board has come up with include: a breakfast program, a youth board, home-work club, and a proposed upgrade of the playground on 12th Ave.

"We're not just trying to create something for kids to do, but to enhance the overall community," he said.

Wilson is asking any parents or kids that have ideas on what the Youth Club should offer, to call him at 335-4697.

"We need parents to be active in getting the kids involved," he said. "Basically, we're just a resource."

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# Business

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## New niche company offers protection and education in the home building market

By Ceilidh McClurg

Building a new home is an investment, a very large investment, and there is a company in Didsbury that can help you protect that investment.

Monk and Associates Home Building Consultations is his fledgling company that he started to answer what he saw as a need.

Morris Monk says that he thinks of the role he is playing in today's booming housing market, as a 'consumer advocate.'

The housing market in Alberta is booming, especially around Calgary. Monk says that this boom, can result in some builders and home buyers rushing into something blindly.

"People get overwhelmed by all of the decisions and choices they have to make," says Monk. He says that when this happens, conflicts and misunderstandings can happen, work isn't what the buyer expected, and the price comes in

over what was originally quoted.

"What starts off as a dream, can turn into a nightmare," says Monk.

His role in his consultation business is to attempt to keep the prospect of building a new house a dream.

He is currently offering a free seminar that will help potential home buyers to fall into his motto, "Build with Peace of Mind."

Monk says that his intention is not to discredit any builder, but rather to teach those who may be looking to build or renovate, how to find a reputable builder and how to make sure all of their questions are answered.

Monk should know what questions people need to ask. He has been on the other side of the discussion. Monk has 12 years of home building experience.

He says probably the top three things people planning to build a home should keep in

mind are:

1. All specification sheets outlining the details of what is included in your home vary. It is important to compare carefully.

2. Be prepared to pay more than what you've been given for allowances in areas such as lighting, or appliances. Specification sheets often don't allow for enough.

3. Most new homes will cost about 10% more than the quoted price once all of the details have been worked out and money has been put aside to do things like build a deck, fence or even buy new furniture to fill your new dream home.

Monk says that people are often caught off guard by these realities and find that they have not mortgaged enough money to cover all of those expenses.

But, there is much more than money involved in the picture. He says he can teach people what questions to ask before signing the contract and how to

make sure that the best workmanship and materials are being used in the construction.

"I'm just trying to make the customer aware of what all is involved in the whole process," he says. "I will try to educate them about the whole process."

Monk says that his seminars are at no cost to the consumer right now and he encourages anyone looking to make the large investment of building a new home, to come and learn.

Monk compares it to investing more than \$100,000 in the stock market. He says most people wouldn't do that without some type of expert advice, and investing more than that in a home should be the same way.

He says that in his research he has not yet heard of any other company that offers this type of consultation. Monk is even willing to offer his paid service to be a personal consultant when people are dealing with their home builder one on one. He hopes that he has found

a niche, and believes his biggest market for this advice will be in Calgary.

He says his business is different from anything similar because it is not associated with any other company, bank, builder, or home warranty organization.

"I'm working strictly for the consumer," he says.

The free seminar will take place on June 15 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 23 Westpoint Dr. You can reserve a seat by calling 335-3944.

In addition, he welcomes any specific questions that people would like addressed in his seminars. They can be mailed to RR 2, Site 7, Box 32, Didsbury, TOM 0W0.

Although Monk admits that he has another business as a home builder, he assures that he keeps the two companies very independent of one another, and that the seminar is anything but a sales pitch. It is simply to offer free advice to those who think they can use it.



TOWN COMMITS TO SENIORS GAMES

Gord Quantz, Didsbury town councillor presents a cheque in the amount of \$20,000 to help host the games in Olds and Didsbury this summer. Accepting the donation is co-chairs of the Alberta Seniors Games committee, Bill Cowan and Mary Turner.

## Third annual 4-H Project Fair to be held in Olds

4-H members and leaders will want to be in Olds on July 28-30 for Project Fair.

"Project Fair is a three-day event that focuses on homemaking and non-livestock projects," said Andrea Helten, 4-H resource development coordinator with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

Members from across the province can participate in hands-on mini-sessions, a project bowl, bench show, demonstration competition and organized recreation activities such as kickboxing lessons. The event will culminate with a 90 minute goal setting session titled, *Get a Life ... Get a Warm, Focused, Happy Life* and will be presented by keynote speakers Anne MacEwan and Jocelyne Smedley from the Motivation Source Inc.

Batik Bandana, Marvelous Monotypes, Dream Keepers, Gifts from the Kitchen, Gifts from the Garden, Recycling with Flair, Woodworking, Ropemaking, Helping Alberta's Endangered Species, Automotive Workshop and Planning Projects for Profit are the various mini-sessions being offered this year.

"Major sponsors of Project Fair include Lammle's Western Wear and United Farmers of Alberta," said Helten. "The program fee for members is \$50 and includes a t-shirt. The program for leaders and parents is \$25. Applications should be received at the provincial 4-H office by June 1."

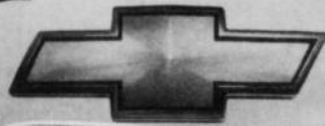
Members are responsible for their own meals, accommodation and travel costs. Camping and residence packages are available from Olds College.

Program information and application forms are available in the 1999 Provincial 4-H Spring and Summer Program booklet, a regional 4-H specialist or on the Alberta 4-H website at <http://agric.gov.ab.ca/4h>.



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## Bill 31 passes Committee Stage in Legislature

Although Bill 31, the *Agricultural Dispositions Statutes Amendment Act*, has passed Committee Stage and Third Reading was anticipated last week, the Bill will not become law until a Cabinet order is passed to "proclaim" the Bill.

"This is the regular process for all Bill," said Ed Stelmach, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "I want to assure all stakeholders that the Province will not proclaim Bill 31 until the regulations have been developed with stakeholder input."

The Bill passed through Committee Stage with one amendment to address concerns voiced by grazing lease holders.

"The amendment clarifies that, when industrial sites are

no longer required, they will automatically be returned to the agricultural dispositions," said the Bill's sponsor, Tom Thurber, MLA (Drayton Valley - Calmar). "This amendment will remove doubt on this issue as we move into the consultation process for regulation development."

Once the consultation process has been defined, stakeholders will be invited to become involved in the process of developing the regulations. Several issues arising from Bill 31 need to be addressed in regulation.

These issues include what defines "reasonable" and "unreasonable access," operational concerns, damages and the appropriate process to resolve disputes.

"When all is said and done, we want to make sure we've achieved clear, understandable regulations and guidelines that maintain the current good relations between the Government, its' leaseholders and all users of public lands," said Stelmach.

The intent of Bill 31 is to implement the provisions of the *Agricultural Lease Review Report*. After nearly two years of consultation with stakeholders in the *Agricultural Lease Review*, the province, as the landowner, is changing the way it leases land for agricultural use.

Bill 31 strives to strike the right balance between the interests of leaseholders, industry, recreational users and the people of Alberta who own the land.



### ROYAL RESERVE

HRL Helen Newton of the Didsbury Royal Purple presents a cheque for \$500 to Sue Pratt of the Association for Community Living. The money will be used to help the Special Olympics Twirling Troupers from the area on their trip to Sweden in July.

## Y2K identity crisis: troubleshoot

Remember Chicken Little? "The sky is falling, the sky is falling!" Kind of reminds me of the way some people view the turn of the century and its possible consequences.

But I really doubt that cows will have an identity crisis if the computer crashes and all of the herd records are lost. That's the good news. The bad news is that you're the one

who could have a nervous breakdown if the Y2K bug bites.

Anything that requires a date to work properly could have problems when 1999 becomes 2000. Even if you've just bought a new computer, you're not out of the woods yet.

These days microchips are everywhere. Here are just a few other things that could go haywire: at home - telephones, televisions, VCRs, micro-waves, smoke detectors; at the office - fax machines, photocopiers, automated sprinkler systems, security systems; on the farm - tractors, watering and feeding equipment, milking machines and ventilators.

Still, all of these potential problems can be avoided with a little preparation.

Let's assume the big utility companies are right when they promise us that there will be no interruptions in service. Our job is check all of our

electric and battery-operated equipment to be sure dates are shown in four digits, not just two (ie. 1999, not 99).

Once you've listed all the potential trouble spots, think about what will happen if each item stops working. Equipment that is essential to your life and your work obviously needs to be top priority. At the other end of the scale, you can probably put up with the date flashing on your VCR.

A lot of us have never figured out how to program the darned things anyway.

You can contact your dealer or the manufacturer to see if the equipment needs to be upgraded or replaced.

The time and money you spend now will be less than what it would take to deal with the consequences later. After all, who wants to be awakened on New Year's Day by a cow crowing outside the window?

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## HORSE HIGHLIGHTS

Students at Ross Ford Elementary School enjoyed a warm school day last week while Roger Leclair presented his Clydesdale horses. The students learned all about draft horses, their care, and running a draft horse farm.

## Nomination call for Dairy Award

The Westerner Championship Dairy Showcase committee is currently seeking nominations for the Provincial Dairy Award of Distinction. The prestigious award is presented annually to a maximum of three Alberta Dairy farmers, business people or families who have made a major contribution to the Alberta dairy industry.

Winners of the 1998 award were Reid Cameron of Millet and Stan and Marg Coleman of Innisfail, who were both honoured at the Awards Banquet held Oct. 31 at Westerner Park during the Championship Dairy Showcase event. Both recipients were long standing and respected dairy farmers with strong community and industry ties. The dedication and creativity of both these recipients earned them a permanent place of honour with the Dairy Award of Distinction.

Nominees should fit the following criteria:

1. The recipient must be or have been a dairy farmer or involved in the dairy industry.
2. There is no age restriction and the award may be presented posthumously.
3. The recipient must be or have been active in, or made a contribution to the dairy industry or related organizations.
4. The recipient should be or have been an active member of the community.

Nominations in the form of resumes or outline letters should be faxed to Westerner Park at (403) 341-4699. The deadline for nominations is 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 12, 1999.

## Crops help you breathe say experts

### The benefit of agriculture in Canadian life

One acre of Ontario corn produces enough oxygen for 130 people, states an article in *Furrow* magazine. In addition, that acre also consumes 10 tons of carbon dioxide. Much of that carbon ends up in the corn stalks which then enrich the soil with organic matter.

"Plants do an excellent job of bringing carbon released into the air back to the soil," said Gordon Frank, crop specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Brooks. "In the Eastern Irrigation District of Alberta, about 300,000 acres are irrigated. If the average oxygen production is estimated at 2/3 of Ontario corn, then each acre provides oxygen for 86 people. The total supported in this one production area in the province is about 25 million people, and this estimate doesn't even count the other 1.2 million dryland crop and rangeland acres in the County of Newell, in southern Alberta."

What about carbon dioxide absorption? At 6.6 tons absorbed per acre, the resulting carbon from over 700,000 litres of burned gasoline is ab-

sorbed, an impressive amount.

"In Alberta, more producers are also engaging in direct seeding," said Frank. "Direct seeding implies zero tillage. As a result, more carbon stays in the soil and eventually becomes very stable humus. Direct seeding also reduces tractor hours to less than half of normal and that means fuel use

drops significantly which also reduces carbon dioxide production, a win-win situation."

The recent Kyoto Agreement clearly pointed to the need to reduce emissions. The efficiency and high production of today's agriculture makes for a better environment. Research into even more efficient farming, environmentally sustainable ag-

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# Tips for healthy soil and crops

Much is to be said for reduced tillage systems in regards to protecting your soil and maximizing soil tilth. Looking at the consequences of our farming activities on soil nutrients and how we can take actions to maximize soil tilth and health is a useful exercise for all farmers.

An article by Con Campbell and others, published in *Better Crops*/Vol. 82 (1998, No. 4), says that increased fertilizer inputs were required to prevent the loss of organic matter in direct seeded systems. Increased biological activity and crop residue breakdown in these higher moisture systems can cause a problem if nitrogen and other macro nutrients are not supplied.

"With no till and reduced tillage systems more crop residues and nutrients will accumulate near the soil surface," said Grant Nelson, P.Ag, Alberta Reduced Tillage Initiative (ARTI), Stettler. "An exception to this rule may be found with legumes which encourage nitrogen production throughout the soil profile."

Jeff Schoenau, from the department of soil science at the University of Saskatchewan, cautions some nitrogen may form ammonia near the soil surface and be lost as gas.

On the other hand, incorporating straw can cause rapid breakdown and mineralization of crop residues. Nitrogen can be lost through leaching, soil erosion or simply move too deep in the soil profile to be of use to plants. Jowkin and Schoenau, 1997, found nitrogen availability was not greatly effected in the initial years of no-till farming systems for spring wheat in the

Brown soil zone.

"With crop residues near the surface, there is concern that non-mobile nutrients such as sulphur and phosphorous will not reach the root zone," said Nelson. "Gares and Schoenau, 1994, found close to 50% of the phosphorous in surface straw was in a water soluble form available to the crop over a relatively short period of time."

"Earthworms and other soil organisms go to the soil surface and draw crop residues under the surface; this should make the remaining nutrients available over time in a reduced tillage system. Because no-till and reduced tillage systems slow initial movement of nutrients, placing fertilizer with seed and double shooting or banding is recommended for maximum yield potential."

Rates of organic matter breakdown are slower in reduced tillage systems. One way of viewing straw and organic matter in soil is to think of the organic matter as wood fuel and the soil a wood burning stove.

"When wood is thrown in a stove, it burns quickly releasing the chemicals in the wood as fire," said Nelson. "If you bury the straw in soil, it gets burned up quickly releasing plant nutrients rapidly. The catch is, plants, like all living things, only require certain levels of nutrients to grow."

"Burying crop residues may cause nutrient breakdown quicker than the crop can use the plant food. When crop residues are not placed in the furnace, the soil, all at once, nutrients can feed the crop gradually. The fuel

or plant food stored in crop residues gets fed to crops gradually resulting in more efficient use of nutrients. Grains fed nitrogen throughout the growing season will produce higher levels of protein in the kernel. With increase premiums for higher grain protein, reduced tillage pays dividends."

Break down of crop residues is not a simple issue. Soils vary in levels of moisture, texture and slope. Crop residues break down at different rates and release different nutrients.

"Understanding basic agronomy is essential to maximizing yields," said Nelson. "If seed is not placed into a firm seed bed and packed, germination and emergence will be poor or delayed. Weed competition will also eliminate the benefits of good residue management. Poor spreading of crop residues will cause uneven emergence, weed problems and hair pinning of disk seeders."

Wayne Lindwall, who has practised conservation tillage in the Lethbridge area for 20 years, made some important comments on this subject.

He says, "In most situations, the crop rotation has a greater impact on weed control problems than the tillage system. Most published research to date indicates that crop rotation and weather have greater impact on pest problems, such as weeds, disease and insects, than tillage systems."

These thoughts reflect the need for producers to consider diversifying crop rotations. Native grass and tree stands that were initially present on land now farmed contained many species in a relatively small area. The soil being farmed was built by these native systems. Using a diverse crop rotation that takes advantage of the principles of the native system should help build and maintain the soil for now and the future.

## CWB Bulletin

At a glance: CWB President and Chief Executive Officer Greg Arason was in Hong Kong last week, attending the 32nd Annual General Meeting of the Pacific Basin Economic Council. Arason participated in a panel discussion May 18 on the challenges of feeding the growing world population in the next century.

The CWB has called for delivery 50% of the durum wheat accepted under Series B contracts. The call was made on May 14 and applies to straight, tough or damp grain on all train runs.

From elevator to port:

Rail car unloads (for week 41, week ending May 16) for the six major grains were 2,832 at Vancouver (target: 2,770). Rail car unloads at Thunder Bay totalled 2,064 cars (target: 2,050).

Primary elevator space across the Prairies (for week 41) averaged 35%, compared to 28% the week before. Manitoba elevators averaged 39% space, Saskatchewan elevators averaged 32% space and Alberta elevators averaged 33% space.

FOB forward:

The International Grains Council Conference will take place June 10 in London, England. Representatives from grain importing and exporting countries will discuss the direction of the global grain economy over the next five years. The Canadian Wheat Board will be represented by CWB President and CEO Greg Arason, Bill Spafford and Jean-Benoit Gauthier from the Sales department and Brian White from Market Analysis.

Potpourri:

The CWB's Weather and Crop Surveillance analysts put seeding at 28% complete across the Prairies. That's 10 days behind last year and about five days behind the five-year average.

## Olds auction market report

For the week ending May 18, 1999

Cattle 1349 Hogs 222

### Butcher Cattle:

C1 Heiferettes 63 to 78; Grain Fed and Exotic 56 to 62  
Older Cows 47 to 51; Bologna Bulls: 66 to 72  
Holstein Cows 46 to 55; Medium Flesh Cows 52 to 55  
Feeder Bulls 73 to 80

### Replacement Cattle:

250-380 lb steers 125 to 146; heifers 115 to 130  
400 lb steers 125 to 142; heifers 115 to 130  
500 lb steers 120 to 137; heifers 114 to 124  
600 lb steers 110 to 129; heifers 107 to 117  
700 lb steers 105 to 115; heifers 99 to 109  
800 lb steers 95 to 105; heifers 92 to 102  
900 lb steers 88 to 98; heifers 85 to 95  
1000 lb steers 81 to 91; heifers 80 to 90  
Cow/Calf Pairs 970 to 1270; Dairy Cows 700 to 1150

### Dairy Barn:

Baby Bull Calves 180 to 270; Larger Bull Calves 330 to 520  
Baby Heifer Calves 175 to 260; Larger Heifer Calves 300 to 470

### Hog Division:

Weiner Pigs 22 to 34; Small Feeders 35 to 46  
Larger Feeders 47 to 78; Sows and Gilts 90 to 180  
Boars 35 to 70

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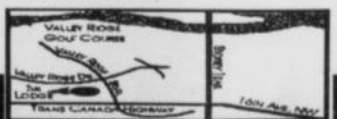


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## Rodeo royals learn life experience in competition

**"It is not only rodeo related, it is community related."**

---Maxine Walroth  
Carstairs Rodeo Queen committee

By Ceilidh McClurg

Two area girls are vying to become part of the royal family.

The royalty of the Carstairs Rodeo, that is.

Chantal Day and Sherylee Dyck, both 16 years old, have spent a good part of the spring participating in competitions leading up to the crowing of the Carstairs Rodeo Queen during Beef and Barley Days.

The latest round of competition was a speech presentation at Silver Willow Sporting Clays south of Carstairs.

As this year has been officially declared the "Year of the Women of the West," both girls spoke about the theme.

Day reminisced about a woman who played a prominent role in the rural community around Mountain View County. While Dyck brought to life the memories of women in the west who were cowgirls,

farmers and trick riders.

Competition for Carstairs Rodeo Queen was opened up to girls in the Didsbury and Cremona areas this year, says Maxine Walroth a committee member.

However, she says she was disappointed that there were no entries from the Didsbury area.

She says being a part of the Carstairs "Royal Family" is a honor that can shape a young girl's future. From giving her self confidence by making public appearances to meeting all kinds of people.

Each girl begins by filling out an application to be considered for the competition. In April, both Day and Dyck introduced themselves as contestants at a Carstairs gala evening.

Each girl then proceeded with the necessary requirements. The girls must take a written exam that tests their knowledge of rodeo and the history of the local area. They then must take part in a number of public appearances to familiarize themselves with all aspects of community involvement. This includes par-

ticipation in two rodeo parades, upon which they are judged by community members.

During the Rancher's Rodeo in Carstairs on June 12, the contestants have the chance to display their riding skills and are judged.

It all wraps up with the crowning ceremony during the demolition derby of Beef and Barley Days where a Queen and Princess will take on their roles in public life.

Walroth says the girls go on in their roles to promote the Town of Carstairs.

"It is not only rodeo related, it is community related," says Walroth.

The royals this year, as they have in past years will take part in the Calgary Stampede parade where they ride with all of the other rodeo royalty from across the province. The Queen and Princess also take part in many other parades in the area. They do the grand entrance at the Beef and Barley Days Rodeo, they participate in the Carstairs Pumpkin Festival, and go monthly to serve tea to

the seniors at the Chinook Winds Lodge in Carstairs.

Overall, Walroth, who is the mother of former Queen Candace Kubek, says the

whole experience is very positive for both the girls and the community.



Sherylee Dyck



Chantal Day

Photos by  
Doug Artindale

## Randle sets Canadian bareback riding record

Kenton Randle wasn't all that fired up about the first five months of his 1999 pro rodeo season.

"I was chipping away a little bit here and there," he said. "I wasn't getting frustrated or anything. I was still riding well, but I wasn't drawing that good. I was going with the flow and waiting for that good one."

He finally found it - at the Cloverdale Rodeo in Surrey, BC.

The three-time Canadian Finals Rodeo qualifier not only got "that good one," but also put his name in the record book. Randle rode a six-year-old, dun-coloured colt of Greg Kesler's called Time Zone to a Canadian record 91-point score. It surpassed the 90 established by Montana's Scott Lund two years ago, less a day, at the Falkland Stampede on Verne Franklin's rusty roan Blue Ridge. The score is also only two points shy of the world record set by five-time world champion Joe Alexander at Cheyenne, WY, in 1974.

It marks the third time 38-year-old Randle, from Fort Vermilion, AB, has put his name in pro rodeo's statistical pages - all within the last six months. He won the Canadian bareback riding season-leader award and the Resistol world bareback riding rookie-of-the-year buckle at the end of last season.

"I guess," he said, "I'm just a late bloomer."

The Cloverdale Rodeo is among the top four paying stops on the Canadian trail - one everybody hopes will jump-start their summer. Randle headed out to the west coast rodeo in high spirits, even though he'd drawn an outlaw that neither he, nor any of his rivals, knew anything about.

"I was actually looking forward to getting on him," said Randle of Time Zone, which Kesler later explained had only been bucked once before - in the novice saddle bronc riding at High Prairie last August.

"They (the Kesler family) always bring a load of colts to

Cloverdale and I knew they had some in every performance, and the colts are usually pretty good there."

When the gate cracked, Time Zone was more than good.

"He had two big blows right out of there and you could feel it," said Randle.

"He came around a little bit to the right and just kept blowing and cracking. They were saying when he cracked, his front feet were three feet off the ground. I could feel the power, but it was a kind of power that helped. He blew so high in the air, he gave me time to do things right."

That also earned Randle \$5,233 from Cloverdale, enough to move him back into the lead in the Canadian standings.

The Cloverdale stop is one of the top four paying rodeos in Canada. Add the Luxton Pro Rodeo and Falkland Stampede into the formula and the BC swing becomes the second richest weekend of the year for the Canadian cowboys.

Saddle bronc riders Dan Black and Rod Hay also took a

piece of the action from Cloverdale, with a shared victory which landed them \$5,351 each.

"I'm tickled to death," said Black shortly after chalking up an 87-point score on Collect Call, enough for a two-way split of first with his winter travelling companion Hay. "A win any time of the season is outstanding, but especially when you can put one together at a rodeo this size."

Hay's earnings over the weekend kicked his Canadian earnings to \$10,850 and moved him to the top of the standings for the first time this year.

Glen O'Neill also muscled his way into the pay line at Cloverdale with an 82 for seventh place and \$1,245. He was on Dark Touch out of the same stable. Then, he too slipped over to Luxton and won the top prize there on Bruce Sunstrum's Moon Beam with an 83-point spur ride worth \$1,475. The \$2,720 total jacked him up to seventh on the Canadian chart.

Among the other event winners at Cloverdale was Sas-

katchewan youngster Luke Ellingson, who shook down Greg Kesler's rank bull You And I for 89 points and the richest payday of his rodeo career, a healthy \$5,939.

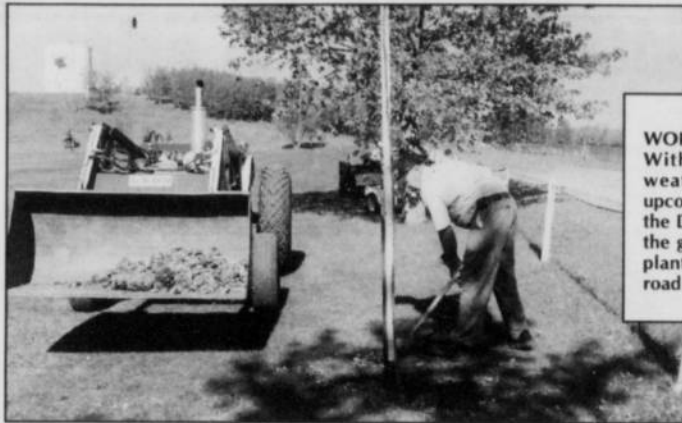
The timed event honours went to Oklahoma's Barry Burk with a 7.3-second run for \$4,869 in the calf roping, Texan Tommy Cook, who drilled his steer in 3.9 seconds for \$4,924 and Talina Bird, of Post, TX, who circled the barrels in 16.01 seconds for \$4,728.

Burk also won Luxton with a 7.5-second tie to earn a total of \$6,103 during his brief Canadian visit. And Bird picked off second at Falkland for a \$5,838 weekend.

Also topping the charts last weekend was former Canadian champion Lee Graves, who moved from 15th in the steer wrestling standings to 5th after winning Luxton and Falkland.

Another standout was barrel racer Tracey Louis who won Falkland and came second at Cloverdale to bolt from 29th to 4th in the rankings.





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## Pool Splashings: summer splash

By Leah Wygiera

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## Junior Jets news

The last couple of weeks saw the boys playing four games.

The first game in Olds was a strong win with the entire team strong on the bats, final 30-9 for Didsbury.

We then hosted a fired-up Carstairs team out to even things up for an earlier lost. They did, with the final score 17-12 for Carstairs.

Game three saw the boys rebound to win 21-4 over Sundre.

Then came the two Didsbury teams in an exciting rematch. Unfortunately, the Dominators, in the bottom of the last inning, scored the winning run. The final score was 11-10 for the Dominators. Every boy reached base at least once and, although competitive, both teams had fun.

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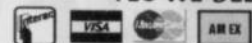
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## Alberta Seniors Games - The Bocce Ball event

When the first Alberta Seniors Games were held in Camrose in 1980, there were teams competing in Bocce Ball. Every Games since has featured the event and the 1999 version is no exception.

What is Bocce Ball you ask?

It is an Italian game similar to lawn bowling or carpet bowling that originated in the Italian Alps about 2,000 years ago.

Brought to Canada by Italian immigrants, it is spread outside of its ethnic origins, but is probably still played more often by Italian-Canadians.

It is played with wooden balls on grass courts 80 feet in length and 13 feet wide. The object of the game is to get as many Bocce (or balls) as possible close to the Pallino, a smaller wooden ball.

All the skills required in bowling are required here: accuracy, hand-eye coordination and the ability to judge space and distance.

At the Alberta Seniors Games, Bocce Ball is played in four-person teams.

Each zone is allowed to provide one four-person team 55 years of age and older and one four-person team 70 years and over.

The Leads and Seconds of each team throw two balls each from the opposite end of the court. That constitutes an "End" played. Points are scored by the number of balls close to the Pallino.

Next End, the Thirds and Skips of each team throw two balls each from the opposite end of the court for a second End.

The play continues to rotate in this matter until 10 Ends are played.

Getting your ball closer to the Pallino than your opponent scores points.

As in curling, you can knock your opponent's ball away or try to protect previous throws.

Winning an End is worth two points, a tie is

worth one and a loss is worth zero. The first team to score 15 points prior to the completion of 10 Ends wins.

Bocce Ball is only one of 26 events at the 1999 Alberta Seniors Games planned for Olds and Didsbury July 25-28, 1999.

For more information on Games events, please contact the Alberta Seniors Games Office in Olds at 556-1999.

## Didsbury Golf Club Notes

May 30 was a beautiful sunny day for the ladies to tee off at 9 a.m. in the first ever Ladies 2 Ball Best Ball Tournament, which was handicapped and flighted.

After golfing, we had a great dinner in the new tournament room, and the prizes were awarded as follows:

### 1st Flight:

1. Joanne Schinnour and Cheryl Richen, Drumheller.

2. Muriel Hoeft and Laurel Mullen, Didsbury after a tie breaker chip off with Nicole Wilkins and Marge St. Clair.

### 2nd Flight:

1. Barb Dalzeil and Shirley Lavick, Didsbury.

2. Tina Machan and Jan Knight, Olds.

Most Honest Golfers - Nan Steward and Tracey Rue.

### Hole Prizes:

1. Ladies Long Drive #9-0-27 hdcp - Barb Dalzeil, Didsbury.

2. Ladies Long Drive #7-28-36 hdcp - Darlene Butterfield, Didsbury.

3. Closest to Pin on Drive on #8 - Joyce McCoy, Didsbury.

4. Long Putt #6 - Tracey Rue, Didsbury.

5. Closest to Pin in 3 Shots on #4 - Tina Machan and Jan Knight, Olds.

Door prizes were won by Sheila Kabatoff, Brenda Wagner, Sherri Butterfield, Nicole Wilkins and Marge St. Clair. St. Clair also had the lucky ticket for the 50/50 draw.

## Dominators streak comes to an end

The Didsbury Dominators winning streak came to an end this week as Carstairs defeated us 14 to 11.

Coach Gil Couture reviewed the video and over the long weekend came up with a "secret" batting order that gave us the edge we needed to defend against the mighty Didsbury Jets.

The Dominators signed pitching contracts this week with Jeff Clazie, Chris Gole, Cody Edwards, Joel Couture and Kenny Morden. Next week look for Greg Edwards,

Ben May and Riley Edwards to come out of the pitching bullpen.

Chasing McGuire's homerun record have been Jordan Parker, Mike Zelmer and Russell Derksen who brought in the winning run against the Jets.

In a post game interview with coaches Garnet Whalen and Grant Edwards, it was clear that Didsbury is fortunate to have two great teams that demonstrate skill and most of all sportsmanship. Thanks to Del Derksen for umpiring this week.

## 'The Gathering' cancelled

The organizers regret to announce 'The Gathering,' scheduled for the Sundre Rodeo Grounds on July 24-25, has been cancelled.

The organizers apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and encourage gospel and bluegrass music fans to attend one of the many other summer music festivals held throughout Alberta.

The organizers thank the musicians, food service people, and everyone who has helped make 'The Gathering' a successful Christian music ministry.

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### Revenge of the Bugs.

Bugzilla is a very cool exhibit of bugs and gigantic robot insects. It'll make you think twice the next time you're about to swat a fly.

### Stars of Illusion plays daily in the Corral.

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## BIRTHS

IT'S A BOY! Logan Mitchel Rauhala, born April 25, 1999 to Mitch Rauhala and Kim Cameron and big brother, Braden. 7-1t

## ENGAGEMENT

Amanda & Vance, together with their parents Gary & Marilyn Halfyard, Ed & Marion Lavallee, are pleased to announce their engagement.



Wedding to take place Aug. 21, 1999 in Red Deer, Alberta.

## CARD OF THANKS

A BIG THANK YOU to the doctors and nurses at Rockyview Hospital, my daughter Arlene and sister Ethel for their wonderful care and concern. Rev. Malcom Proffitt for prayers, The Westcott WI, the 5-0 Singers, all my friends at College Green and everyone who sent cards, flowers, food, visits, phone calls and other kindnesses. This will all be remembered. My surgery went well. Thanks again. Bea Weidner. 7-1t

## ANNIVERSARY

*The children of Bud and Joyce Hayball wish to invite friends and neighbours to honour their parents' 50th Wedding Anniversary.*



Hardindale Hall, Rocky Mtn. House. Saturday, June 12, 1999. Open house at 2 p.m. Potluck supper at 5:30 p.m. Dance to follow. No gifts please.

## PRAYER CORNER

PRAYER TO the Blessed Virgin - O most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, blessed Mother of the Son of God, immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth; I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein You are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee. Holy Mother, I place this cause in Your hands. Pray this prayer for three consecutive days and your wish will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Promise to publish this prayer as soon as your favor has been granted. Grateful thanks. L.D. 8-3t

## OBITUARIES

NEUFELD: Martha Neufeld (nee Eitzen) was born December 3, 1910 on her parents' farm near Acme. On July 1, 1933 she married Neil J. Neufeld of Didsbury. Martha is survived by three children: Ken (Vera) of Olds, Evelyn (Tom) Oldridge of Didsbury, Dennis (Julie) of Crossfield; 10 grandchildren, Dwayne (Cheryl), Connie, Douglas (Jeannie), Kareen, Brian (Valita), Beverley (Dan), Sharene (David), Donald (Angela), Kimberly (Kiam), Rick (Skye); five great-grandchildren, Yenita, Lavina, Andrew, Josh, Mitchell. She is also survived by one brother, Dan Eitzen of Didsbury, one brother-in-law, Abe Neufeld (Helen) of Kelowna, BC, two sisters-in-law, Pearl Neufeld of Olds, and Elizabeth Loewen of Didsbury. She was predeceased by her husband Neil, three children, Mervyn, Jeannie and Dwayne, her only sister and six brothers. Martha received her education at a country school near Acme. Prior to her marriage she worked as a housekeeper for various people in the surrounding area. After her marriage, she moved to the farm with Neil where they spent their entire married life. She was active in her church, teaching Sunday School for over 25 years. She loved children, caring for many different children over the years, especially enjoying her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Neil was hospitalized in 1990 following a stroke. During the rest of his life, Martha faithfully visited him until his passing in 1991. Following this, her own health failed and she subsequently suffered from a series of strokes to which she succumbed on May 1, 1999, at 88 years of age. Memorial services were conducted on May 5 from Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church at 2 p.m. with her grandson, Reverend Doug Neufeld officiating. The eulogy was given by Tom Oldridge. Music was provided by her children and grandchildren. Interment took place in the Berghal Cemetery. Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Olds and Didsbury, entrusted with arrangements. 7-1t

RIEDER, Wilbert Harold, born April 2, 1911, passed away May 21, 1999 at the age of 88 years. He resided on the family farm east of Carstairs where he was still able to actively participate until 3 1/2 years ago when he was stricken with Alzheimers. He was our main roper at branding time and always ready to ride through and check the cattle herd - be it his own, or that of a friend. Wilbert was always a rodeo fan and even met his wife Helen (Fox) at the Carstairs Stampede. He was a well-known rodeo timer throughout Central Alberta. He also loved to hunt big game and enjoyed serving as a guide in the NW Territories for a few seasons. He and Helen wintered at Apache Junction, AZ for some 40 years where he loved to ride horses in the Superstition Mountains and he guided many a trailrider through the area, relating "riding" stories along the way. He was predeceased by his parents, Edwin and Rosina, his daughter Shirley, and grandson, Leslie. Mourning his loss are his wife for 65 years, Helen, his daughter, Betty (George) Swanby, and son Bill (Marilynn) Rieder, three grandsons, Marty and Mark (Gayle) Rieder and Craig (Georgina) Swanby; two granddaughters Tracey (Jeff) Coward and Janace (Chris) Dale; eight great-grandchildren, David, Travis and Kevin, Tanya, Kyle and Dulcie Rieder, Matthew and Brett Dale. Funeral services were held May 26 at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church, Didsbury. Interment followed at the Didsbury Cemetery. 7-1t

BERGEN, MARGARET passed away on May 19, 1999 at the Mountain View Health Care Centre at the age of 95 years. She is survived by one daughter Mildred (Gerry) Siemens of Hanna, two sons, Virgil of Carstairs, Arnold (Linda) of Calgary, six grandchildren. Funeral services were held on June 1 at the Berghal Mennonite Church in Didsbury. Pastor Bruce Wiebe officiated, interment followed at the Berghal Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire, memorial tributes may be given to Mennonite Central Committee Alberta or the charity of their choice. Personal Alternative Funeral Services Calgary entrusted with arrangements. 7-1t

## MEMORIALS

IN LOVING MEMORY of Edith Gross, who passed away June 7, 1998.

There will always be this heartache and often the silent tears,

We shall cherish those precious memories of the days when you were here. We hold you close within our hearts, And there you will remain.

Please walk with us throughout our lives,

Until we meet again.

Remembering you is easy, we do it every day.

But missing you is a heartache that never goes away.

Always remembered and sadly missed by her loving husband, children and grandchildren. Leo, Joan, David, Allan and Denese, Ted and Anita, Mary and Cam, Karen and Mide, Cathy, Tamie, Jennifer, Greg, Rehbea, Cody, Megan, Cristan and Sophia.

IN MEMORY OF Orville McMann, who passed away one year ago.

God saw him getting tired

A cure was not to be.

So He wrapped him in His loving arms And whispered come with Me.

He suffered much in silence

His spirit did not bend.

He faced his pain with courage

Until the very end.

He tried so hard to stay with us

His fight was all in vain.

God took him to His loving home

And freed him from all pain.

Ever remembered and dearly loved.

Wife Hazel, Vern and Judy, Yvonne

and Wes, Gary and Emily, Carmen and Eileen, Lorna and Gary and grandchildren. 7-1t

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**Craig M. Jones**  
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Calgary, AB, T2P 3N9.

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### NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

In the estate of **Martha Neufeld**, deceased, late of RR #2, Didsbury, AB who died on May 1, 1999.

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**Kenneth E. Neufeld**,  
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**DIDSBURY**
**50th Anniversary**

The family of Doug and Jean Gooding cordially invite you to the open house held in honour of their 50th anniversary, June 13, 2-5 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall. Everyone welcome.

**Members Supper**

Didsbury 5-0 Club free supper for all 5-0 members, June 16, 4:30 to 6 p.m. All food supplied.

**Bridal Shower**

A bridal shower for Alicia Rosenke and Steve McMane will be held on June 12 at 7 p.m. at Knox United Church, Didsbury. Everyone welcome.

**DIDSBURY**
**Steak and Lobster Night**

Steak and Lobster Night, June 12 at the Memorial Complex. Fundraising dinner and cabaret for Dirty Mother's Slowpitch.

**Golf Clubs needed**

Westglen School needs donations of golf clubs and baseball gloves. To donate please call 335-8700 or drop clubs off at the school.

**Gardeners wanted**

Free use of garden plot, 10' x 20'. Already rototilled. Please call Deborah at 335-9299.

**ROSEBUD**
**Annual BBQ**

Annual Rosebud BBQ - Sunday June 13, 1999 at 6 p.m. at the Rosebud Hall. Please bring meat and a potluck salad or dessert. Following will be a bridal shower for Brandi Phillips and Corey Kinghorn at approx. 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

**WESTERDALE**
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**CARSTAIRS T.O.P.S.**

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members. Meetings 7 p.m. Monday evenings at Carstairs Church of God. For info call Jean 637-3753, Darlene 946-4369 or Natalie 337-2351.

**DIDSBURY**
**HALL WALKING**

Adults are invited to walk in the Westglen School corridors from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., Monday through Thursday for fun and fitness.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

General Meeting - Third Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265 RSVP

**DIDSBURY TOPS**

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Bev at 335-9803 or Kirsten 335-3370.

**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD**

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office at 7 p.m. For info, call Town Office at 335-3391

**TOY LIBRARY**

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Tuesdays and Saturdays 10 - 11:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. More info call Pearl at 335-4787.

**CANSURMOUNT**

You are not alone. Cansurmount & Reach to Recovery is a service that offers support to people with cancer and their relatives. Please call 335-8003 for more information.

**AA**

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Kim at 335-9645 or Rick at 335-9525.

**TIME OUT**

Mom's Time Out and Dad's Too. Every Monday (except holidays) 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.. Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ph. 335-9928.

**KING HIRAM LODGE**

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

**O.E.S. MEETING**

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 8:00 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Marge Steckler at 335-4281

**DIDSBURY**
**DIDSBURY MUSEUM**

Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. Donations are always welcome. The Museum is also open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2 - 5 p.m. weekly. We're located at 2118 - 21st Ave. For more info, call 335-9295.

**RECYCLING DEPOT**

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

**CASH BINGO**

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

**LIONS**

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible. Call Rudy 335-9191

**PLAYGROUP**

Didsbury Playgroup ongoing preschool registration, \$50/ month. For more info call Joanne at 335-9414 or Mary Lynne at 335-8512.

**INFORMATION**

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

**BEAVER'S**

Beaver's Monday 7-8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

**AL-ANON**

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday. For more info call 335-3146 or 335-9787.

**BRIDGE CLUB**

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

**DIDSBURY**
**SUPPORT GROUP**

ADD /ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS**

Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in education room (lower level) at Didsbury Hospital.

**CREMONA**

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Sunday. For more info call 337-2331

**LONE PINE**
**T.O.P.S.**

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

**OLDS**
**MEETING**

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Olds College, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Malissa at 556-8520.

**SUPPORT GROUP**

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month, 7 p.m. at the Deer Meadow School, Olds. Contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

**A.D.D. SUPPORT**

Learning Disabilities Association. Support, information, workshops, seminars, resource materials, films and tapes. Meets last Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. in Room 116 at Deer Meadows School in Olds. Contact Sam at 556-7614 eves. or Susan 335-3174

**SUNDRE**

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8-9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

**ALA TEEN**

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